



# SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Reality Show / Week 3

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## LEADER PREP

### BOTTOM LINE

Family is forever.

### SCRIPTURE

*As he [Jacob] approached his brother, he bowed to the ground seven times before him. Then Esau ran to meet him and embraced him, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. And they both wept (Genesis 33:3b-4 NLT).*

### GOAL OF SMALL GROUP

To help students see their family with a long-term perspective instead of a limited perspective.

### THINK ABOUT THIS

Leaders—remind your students that although family is forever, dysfunction doesn't have to have the last word. Their families can get better over time.

## CONVERSATION GUIDE

**Create meaningful conversation. Adjust the questions as needed, and don't feel like you need to answer all of them.**

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why does it feel like high school graduation equals an escape from your family? Why is that a false assumption?
2. How have you treated your family members like your relationships with them are temporary? (*Tune them out more, say hurtful things, lose your temper*)
3. Even though Jacob and Esau eventually reconnected, they missed out on a lot of each other's lives. What could you miss out on if you allow family relationships to stay broken for a long time?
4. What do you want your forever reality with your family to look like?
5. Based on the future you want to have with your family, what's one way you need to change the way you treat your family? What's one step you need to take to make that happen?
6. What's one way you can remind yourself to make the change you mentioned in the previous question?

### TRY THIS

Leaders—remind your students to complete this week's XP when they get home. And remind your students that you're available to text or talk if they need to.