

Home Groups | Week 9 | March 11, 2018  
Wrestling with God | Genesis 35:1-15

**Icebreaker:**

Do you have a place from your past that signifies spiritual importance to you? What is it?

**Questions:**

1. Why was it necessary for Jacob to instruct his household: "Put away the foreign gods"? Do you find it odd how they "put away" their foreign gods? Why or why not?
2. Are there gods or idols in your household that you want to bury? Can you name at least one idol you want to bury?
3. What role does the church community play in helping you to bury the idols and gods in your life?
4. In verse 8 we read of the death of Rebekah's nurse. What was sad about her death? "Allon-bacuth" means "oak of weeping." When Jacob returned home from uncle Laban's, whom did he not meet?
5. Why would God need to tell Jacob again that his new name is Israel? Why would Jacob need to hear it again in this context?
6. Jacob sets up a stone pillar in verse 14. When you review your life, do you see "pillars" of God's hand? How have you marked those pillars and are such pillars an aid to you?
7. Is there a part of the worship service (singing, prayer, confession, sermon, communion, etc.) that is particularly helpful in reminding you who God is?

**prayer requests**

> Prayers of healing for Joan Gall, Dan Krajnovich, Ken Miller, and Bob Steinmetz.

Requests from ZPC's March Prayer Calendar:

> Pray for missionary Dan McNerney as he works within the exploding Christian movement in Iran. And for Dan Duke's ministry with linguists in Cameroon and in Europe to help with Bible translations.

**what's coming up!**

**Support ZPC MOPS**

In lieu of donuts this morning, visit the ZPC MOPS bake sale in the Gathering Space. Also present the MOPS flyer (available at the bake sale) to Amore Pizzeria in Boone Village from March 12-18 and 25% of your meal cost will go to ZPC MOPS.

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**Second Half Adventurers**

March 13 | 11:15 am-1:15 pm | Gathering Space | Cost: \$10  
Please join the 2nd Half Adventurers at our March luncheon. We will welcome Liz Todd, who will share her story, "A walk of faith." Sign up in the Gathering Space.

> Barb Luther [barbaraluther@gmail.com; 317.669.7073]

**Faithful Moms March Meetings**

Girls' Night Out | Wednesday, March 14 | 7-9 pm | Youth Center  
Bible study | Wednesday, March 21 | 9:45-11:30 am | Room 201

The purpose of Faithful Moms is to encourage one another through motherhood while growing our faith. This month's GNO we will share dinner and hear from a dietician. For Wednesday Bible Study, we are currently studying *Crossing the Waters* by Leslie Leyland Fields. Join us for a very relaxed and laid back time even if this is your first time!

> Lynn Strueh [strueh@tds.net]

**Serve with IHN**

ZPC Hosting | March 25-April 1 | ZPC

ZPCers have an opportunity to serve homeless children and their caregivers through Family Promise/Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN). We will host families at ZPC the last week of March. Consider serving as an individual or with your family, friends, or home group. Details and registration are available at [zpc.org](http://zpc.org).

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**Help Needed for Passion Walk Set-Up**

Sunday, March 25 | After 10:30 am Service | Sanctuary

The Passion Walk is an interactive experience of the events of Jesus' last week on earth. We'll be setting up the Walk after the 10:30 service on March 25 and we need help! If you'd like more information or are willing to help, please contact Betsy.

> Betsy Howden [betsyh@zpc.org; 873-8137 x1010]

**Kairos Cookie Bake**

Cookie Bake | Sunday, March 25 | 12-5 pm | ZPC Kitchen

The Kairos Prison Ministry shares the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus to impact the lives of incarcerated men, women, youth, and their families. Join us as we make cookies for the Kairos weekend April 5-8 at Pendleton Correctional Facility.

> Joe Loudonback [jloudonback@indy.rr.com]

**Register for ZPC Inquirers Class**

Friday, April 27 | 7-9 pm | Offsite

Saturday, April 28 | 9 am-noon | ZPC

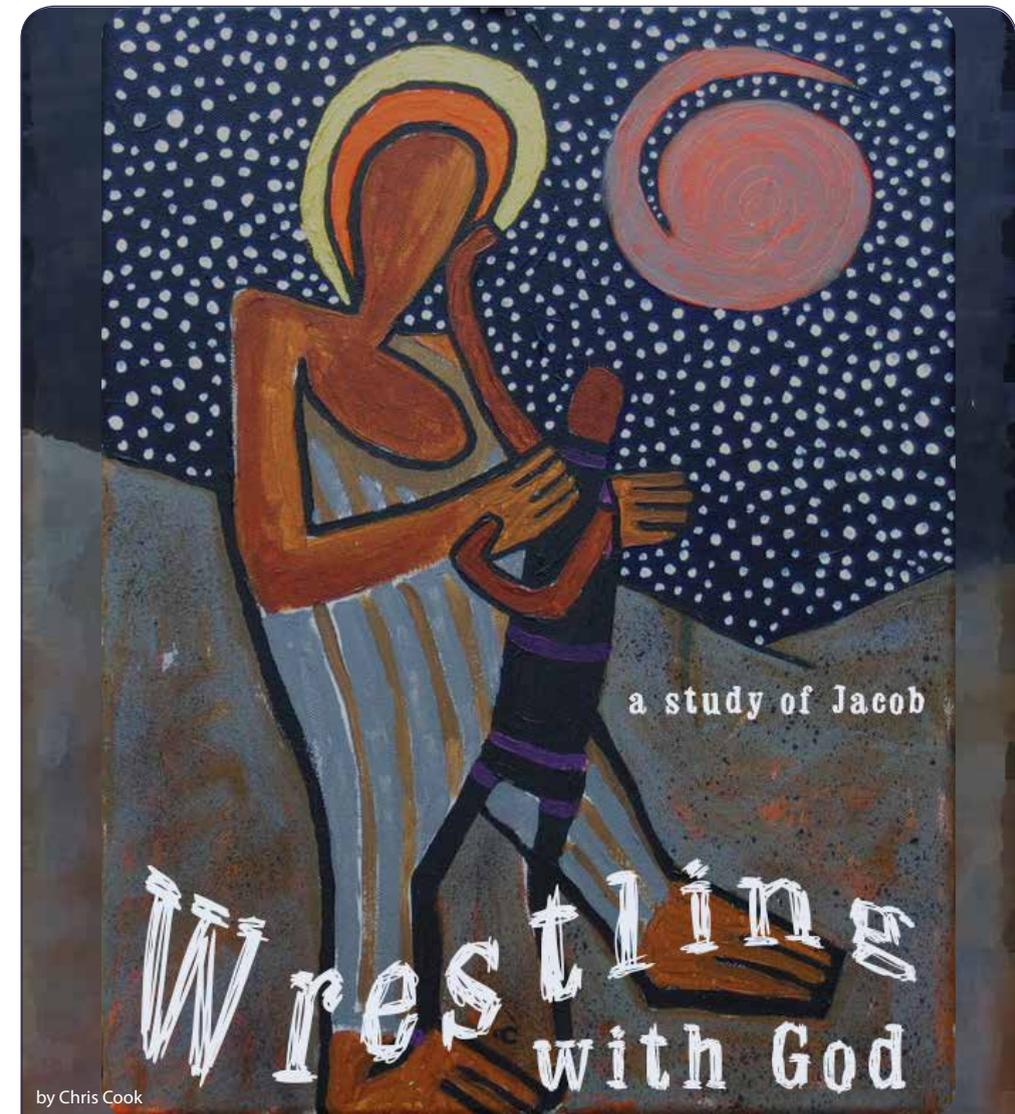
Learn more about ZPC at the Inquirers Class. Friday night will include dinner and relational time with Pastor Jerry Deck. Saturday you'll learn about ZPC with church staff and members. Childcare is available by advance registration. Register at [zpc.org](http://zpc.org) no later than Tuesday, April 24. You may also call the Office or sign up at the Welcome Center.

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**Nominating Committee Nominations**

Nominations are being accepted for members of ZPC's Nominating Committee. For more information, please see the nomination form inserted in this morning's bulletin or visit [zpc.org/nominating-committee](http://zpc.org/nominating-committee).

> Nancy Baker [nancyb@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1001]



**Sunday, March 11, 2018 | 9 and 10:30 am**

Called together by God to make disciples  
and release them for service in our broken world.

**zionsville**  
presbyterian church

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Church office hours:  
Monday-Friday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

listen to last week's message at [zpc.org/resources/sermon](http://zpc.org/resources/sermon)



## worship

Welcome to ZPC!

We are glad you're here!

Sunday, March 11, 2018

Wrestling with God | A Study of Jacob

Scripture: Genesis 35:1-15

During Lent we are replacing the Lord's Prayer with prayers of confession and assurance of pardon. These allow us to take a moment to open our hearts in confession and be reminded of God's love for us and as we hear his words of assurance – we are forgiven!

**Prayer after service:** If you would like someone to pray with or for you, please go to the west alcove in the Sanctuary after the service. It would be our privilege to pray on your behalf.

Assistive listening systems are available upon request. Check in with the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

## who we are

Our focus is to become and make life-long learners of Jesus through:

1. **Creating a Caring Community**
2. **Centering Our Worship and Study on Christ**
3. **Encouraging Hands-on Missions**

Thank you for coming to ZPC! We would love to get to know you. We encourage you to record your attendance on the welcome pad at today's worship. Please provide your name, address, and contact information. Especially if this is your first time with us, we would welcome the opportunity to connect with you and even deliver a yummy treat!

Join us in the Gathering Space before and after services. Want a name tag? Sign up at the Welcome Center.

## the week ahead [zpc.org for more]

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### Later Today, Sunday, March 11

ZPCHSM | 6-7:30 pm | ninth-twelfth grades | Youth Center

### Monday, March 12

ZPC Line Dancing | 1:30-2:30 pm | Gym

BSF | 7-8:30 pm | Sanctuary

LifeChanges | 7-9 pm | Room 209

### Tuesday, March 13

2nd Half Adventurers Luncheon | 11:15-1:15 | Gathering Space

Open Gym | 1-2:30 | Gym

### Wednesday, March 14

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym

Faithful Moms GNO | 7-9 pm | Youth Center

Northwest Indianapolis eTeen | 6:45-8:30 pm | Gym & Chapel

Mission Commission | 7-9 pm | Room 201

### Thursday, March 15

LifeChanges Women's Bible Study | 9:30-11:15 am | Chapel

Food Pantry | 5-6 pm | Room 109

Loose Threads | 9:30 am-1 pm | Room 202

Women's Great Banquet # 126 | 7 pm | ZPC

### Friday, March 16

Women's Great Banquet # 126 | All Day | ZPC

Food Pantry | 12-2 pm | Room 109

### Saturday, March 17

Women's Great Banquet # 126 | All Day | ZPC

### Sunday, March 18

#### Children

Nursery Care | 9 and 10:30 am | birth - age three | check in at the Children's Welcome Center

Children's Classes | 9 and 10:30 am | age four - fourth grade | check in at the Children's Welcome Center or in the Gathering Space.

#### Students

Middle School Ministry [ZPCMSM] | 9 am | Room 205 [fifth - eighth grades]

High School Ministry [ZPCHSM] | 6 pm | Youth Center [ninth - twelfth grades]

#### Adults

Adult Bible Study | 9 am | Room 201

Christian Spiritual Formation | 10:30 am | Room 205

Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. **Matthew 6:20**

ZPC Stewardship Update: **[6/1/17-3/4/18]**

YTD Budget: \$ 1,829,657

YTD Offering: \$ 1,951,652

Sunday morning attendance: 538

## commissioning

### Brazil Short-term Mission | April 11-24

At the 9 am service we will commission the Brazil Team, who will support and serve behind the scenes at São José do Rio Preto Men's Great Banquet #3 and Women's Great Banquet #4. The team will also work with a new church plant in the area.

**Brazil Team:** Jack Ellett, Karen Ellett, Bobbi Rounds, Steve Rounds, Kay Wright, and Steve Wright.

### Romania Short-term Mission | March

At the 10:30 am service we will commission the Romania Team, who will host MomCon (a MOPS leadership training event) for approximately 45 young mothers/leaders from more than 35 churches to whom ZPC introduced MOPS and trained the leaders. The team will also host nearly 100 missionaries, pastors, and their wives for a four day Missionary Conference.

**Romania Team:** Judy Barnes, Dave Gall, Stan Johnson, Betty Sue Laffoon, Mindi McMillan, Phil Ping, Lisa Prince, Lili Stoian, and Michele Sutton.



### Love Your Neighbor or Fear Your Neighbor

Sunday, April 15 | 5:30-7:30 pm | Gathering Space | Register by April 9 for dinner and childcare counts

The Spirit of Jesus is sweeping across the Middle East and among Muslims worldwide. Thousands of Muslims are forming underground churches in their new-found joy of making Jesus their Lord and Savior. As we continue to learn what it means to

follow Jesus' command to love our neighbor, it is critical that we learn how to love our Muslim neighbors. Join us on April 15 to hear our mission partner, Rev. Dan Mc Nerney, share his experiences working among Muslims in the U.S. and overseas. Learn how God is moving worldwide among this people group and walk away encouraged and inspired to befriend Muslims in your community.

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Calling all dancers, musicians, magicians, comedians, and performers for...

**zpc's got talent**

Polish off your act or create a new one and sign up to be part of ZPC's Got Talent! Performers who sign up will be chosen by lottery and will have the opportunity to entertain! **Visit [zpc.org/mission-possible](http://zpc.org/mission-possible) to sign up for ZPC's Got Talent.**

**Submission deadline is Sunday, March 25. All ages welcome!**

**MISSION: POSSIBLE!** ZPC's Got Talent is part of our church-wide event, Mission: Possible, taking place on Saturday, April 21. In addition to ZPC's Got Talent, we will have a missions fair and trivia night. Please join us for a fun evening! ALL PROFITS from the evening (ticket sales, raffles, snack bar sales) will go directly to ZPC missions.

**Questions? Contact Christy Baugh [christybaugh24@gmail.com]**