

**CONNECTION QUESTION**

Rachel and Leah were involved in major sibling rivalry which was compounded by the fact they were both married to the same man.

What level of sibling rivalry did you experience growing up in your family?

If you are a parent, how did you handle sibling rivalry among your children?

SERMON REVIEW

What in the sermon was helpful? What did you find challenging?

BRINGING THE BIBLE TO LIFE

> Read James 3:14; Romans 12:21; James 4:1-3; Hebrews 13:5.

What do these verses teach us about the way envy and jealously affect life? Share an example from your life.

How do these verses teach us to overcome jealousy?

Where do you struggle with jealousy that we can pray for you?



> Read 1 Samuel 1:1-20.

How does the story of Hannah's infertility compare with Rachel's? Where are they similar? Where are they different?

What can we learn from the different ways Rachel and Hannah faced seemingly hopeless moments of childlessness in their life?

> Read Ephesians 4:22-25; Galatians 5:16-23; Philippians 2:12-13.

God is committed to transforming messed up people to becoming like Jesus. This change takes place by God's undeserved grace but it also involves work and effort on our part to produce the growth.

How do these passages help you understand the balance between God's responsibility and our responsibility when it comes to growing to be more like Jesus?

What is your plan to become more like Jesus besides relying on God's grace?

TAKE IT HOME

Looking back on this week's study, what is the most important thing to remember? What is the most important action to take?