# From Us to Them: Blessings

Genesis 26:1-6

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<sup>3</sup> Sojourn in this land, and I will be with you and will bless you, for to you and to your offspring I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath that I swore to Abraham your father. <sup>4</sup> I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and will give to your offspring all these lands.

And in your offspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, <sup>5</sup> because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws." <sup>6</sup> So Isaac settled in Gerar.

# God's blessings are not reserved for God's people

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#### Romans 4:16-17

<sup>16</sup> That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspringnot only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations."

# In the midst of chaos, remember your spiritual purpose

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# Listen and wait for God's timing

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