

ChristChurch London Life Group Discussion Outline – 13/04/08
“Ordinary people doing extraordinary things”

Read Gen 26:1-22

1. Isaac through faith obeyed God and chose to stay put, despite experiencing famine (v1-6). What challenges do we face in staying true to God in difficult times and how can we work together to overcome them? In what ways can we remain confident that God wants to bless us, whilst believing for promises he's spoken to us about?

2. Isaac's faith was challenged by his fear of what the Philistine men might do to him because of Rebekah's beauty (v7-11). Discuss some of the ways in which fear can challenge our faith?

3. Abraham's actions had a deep & powerful effect on shaping his son Isaac, which resulted in Isaac inheriting both his father's strengths and weaknesses (v1-11). How can we seek to forge new strengths in times of weakness, especially in areas that the previous generation was weak? What do you think are some of the strengths we have inherited, and how can we make sure we pass them on to the next generation to come?

4. Isaac depended upon God to supply water for his family (v17-22). What challenges do we face in depending on the presence of God in every situation? How can we encourage the sense of God's presence amongst us?