

**“Like Father, Like Son”**  
**Genesis 26:1–34**  
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**The next generation has to learn to walk with God by faith.**

“The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” (Mark 1:15)

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” (Romans 10:13)

“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” (Romans 10:9)

“You are my friends if you do what I command you.” (John 15:14)

“We all stumble in many ways.” (James 3:2)

“I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:20)

“I want you to know that your mother and I sense there is a struggle for the soul of your life. And there is no halfway. Either you’re going to have to accept Jesus Christ and what he says and obey him and follow him, or you’ll have to reject him. There is no middle ground.” (Franklin Graham)

“I realized for the first time that sin had control over my life. Franklin Graham was not in charge, but sin was. And there was absolutely nothing I could do in my own power to overcome it. ...I felt I was a Christian. I was the son of Billy Graham, I went to church, and I memorized Scripture. What more did it take?” (Franklin Graham)

“Suddenly, I had an overpowering conviction that I needed to get my life right with God.” (Franklin Graham)

“Esau despised his birthright.” (25:34)

**The next generation must be prioritized by the church.**

“For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing righteousness and justice.” (Genesis 18:19)

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children.” (Deuteronomy 6:4–7)

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:4)

**The next generation must be saved by God.**

