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Series: Genesis - Meant for Good

Sermon Title: A Blessing Suitable to Each

Scripture: [Genesis 49:1-50:14](#)

MAIN IDEA: God includes and values us in His plan but ultimately it's all about Him and His Glory

OUTLINE:

1. Abraham, Isaac & Jacob are considered God's anointed ones; chosen to fulfill His promise to bring salvation to God's people.
2. Jacob gives his blessing and prophecy of the future of God's people
 - a. Reuben's rebuke
 - b. Simeon & Levi's sin
 - c. Judah's special blessing and prophecy of his tribe
 - d. Other son's blessing & curses
 - e. Joseph's blessing and example
3. Application - Four Perspectives of the Plan of God
 - a. Perspective 1: Our lives and our choices matter.
 - b. Perspective 2: Our lives account for a small portion of God's plan.
 - c. Perspective 3: Our lives are bound entirely in the plan of God.
 - d. Perspective 4: God's plan is NOT about us, but ultimately about His glory revealed through His Son, Jesus Christ.

DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. What plans do you have for the Fall? Vacations, projects, outings?
2. What was the description Jacob used for Reuben? Why was he rebuked so harshly?
3. What did Jacob predict about Judah and his tribe's future? How does it make you feel to consider that God already knows about your future failings and has made a way for you to have a relationship with Him anyway?
4. Think about the plans you discussed in question 1. Did you consider how they would mesh with what God has planned for your Fall? How would you react if these activities

do not work out like you planned? What attribute of God helps console you when a big change of plans happens in your life? What is your biggest struggle with God's sovereignty and control in your life?

5. Considering the narrative of the lives of Abraham, Isaac & Jacob, what has surprised you the most about the Genesis series? What clues did you pick up in this reading of Genesis that point to the coming of Christ that you hadn't seen before?