Special Speaker - Rev. Ainsley Harmon

Message Summary- Many of us approach God in prayer knowing He has told us to present our needs to Him. But, often we are unsure if what we are asking for is permissible. How can we know? Be in "the know" by praying the promises of God. A look at a desperate situation in Jacob's life will give us some insight.

Be in the "Know" The "KNOW'S" of Prevailing Prayer Genesis 32:1-33:10

- 1. KNOW you are in a situation where you need to pray. Genesis 32:3-8
- 2. KNOW what God has said and say that. Genesis 32:9-12
- 3. Know that the answer may require your participation. Genesis 32:13-21
- 4. KNOW you are in a struggle and set your mind to win. Genesis 32:22-26
- 5. KNOW that your understanding of Him will deepen. Genesis 32:27-30
- 6. KNOW that you will see Him in the outcome. Genesis 33:1-10

LifeGroup Questions

Begin it- (5 min) Praise song & opening prayer

Open it- (10 min) What do you feel is the greatest struggle in the world today?

Explore it- (55 min) Review Sunday's sermon outline together and add additional notes people made about the message.

- 1. Talk about a time you have used a particular scripture in your prayers that addressed a certain need. What was the ultimate outcome of that situation?
- 2. How do you discern who/what you are struggling with?
- 3. Why or why not do you feel Jacob prevailed in his struggle? What was his motivation?
- 4. How and why does God use prayer and challenges to reveal Himself to us?
- 5. Do you think Jacob's life was changed as a result of this situation? Why or why not? How did he change?

Apply it- (20 min) What is one situation in your life that you are facing that you *know* you need to pray about? Share your need. Let the group help you find a scripture that addresses that need. Pair up and pray for your request, using the verse, as your partner agrees with you. Then let your partner do the same.