

**PART 4: Miracle in the  
Middle of the Mess**

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## START

Headlines are used to grab people's attention. Sometimes they can be shocking, and other times they can be hilarious. The whole point is to get you curious enough to read the article. Here is the thing... it works. We cannot help it... We have to learn more, especially when the story is messy.

- What is the craziest headline you have ever read?
- If you could make up a headline about your week what would it be?

## READ

[Genesis 29:20](#) (NIV)

“So Jacob served seven years to get Rachel, but they seemed like only a few days to him because of his love for her.”

## THINK

Our desires can direct us in life if they are strong enough. Jacob worked for 7 years so that he could marry Rachel, but it only felt like a moment to him. Even though he did everything right the story still got messy. Unfortunately, we cannot control how others behave, but we can make sure that we do all things with love.

- What are you working for in life? How is it going?
- Talk about a time when you did everything right and things still got messed up.
- Have you ever been deceived? What was your response?

One thing that is true about a mess is that it does not just affect you, it gets on everyone else around you, too. It can be easy to miss out on this truth, which is why it is so important for us to reflect back on our lives and see how can NAME | OWN | UNMESS our mess.

- Do you ever feel too messy for God? What can you do to remind yourself of God's faithfulness?
- Do you need to be real with yourself about your mess? How can you do this?
- What steps can you take to own your part in your mess?

## PRAY

“God, thank you for using messy people. Thank you that no matter what, You are faithful. This week, let me look for reminders of your love in the midst of my mess. Amen.”

## ACT

Whatever mess you are facing in life right now make sure you name it, own it, and strive to unmess your mess.

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**ONE CHURCH. RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE.**