

TO GO

1. Consider an instance where you felt the pressure to make an important decision or perform an important task, and you choked. As you look back on it, what made you fall short of your desired outcome? How did you respond in the aftermath?
2. Read Genesis 26:1–11. What seems reasonable about Isaac’s fear in this passage? What seems unreasonable, given what he knew about God’s promises, about his response to his fear? Why is it so easy to respond to fear in ways that are less than God honoring?
3. Read Genesis 26:12–16. How does God respond to Isaac’s failure? Why is this ironic? Why do you think God does this? Why does remembering God’s promises help us respond to fear with faith instead of failure?
4. Read Genesis 26:17–22. How does Isaac demonstrate that he’s learned from his failure?
5. Read Genesis 26:23–33. In what ways does Isaac receive God’s blessings? What blessings can we expect when we respond to fears with faith instead of failure?
6. Take a moment to write down that which makes you most afraid these days. Ask God to show you specifically how you can respond to that fear with faith? Write it down as well. Then, pray daily for God’s supply to trust him and respond accordingly.