



Series: Genesis

Passage: Genesis 50:15-20

Title: Joseph's Faithfulness Unto Death

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Discussion Starter – How did Joseph final days exemplify what it means to have a gospel-centered perspective on life?

Read Genesis 50:15-21

- 1) Why do you think Joseph's brothers feared he would possibly do them harm now that their father Jacob was dead?
- 2) Read 1 John 1:9, Micah 7:19, and Psalm 103:12. What do these verses teach us about God's forgiveness?
- 3) What enables us as Christians to better understand the concept of true forgiveness?
- 4) What unusual way do Joseph's brothers approach him to ask him to forgive them? Why do you think Joseph wept after this encounter?
- 5) How does Joseph respond to his brother's request? What does this show us about his character?
- 6) Explain each of the three aspects of what it means to have a gospel-centered view on life.
- 7) How did Joseph demonstrate that he understood the gospel-center perspective of having a sacrificial view on life? What did this produce in his life?
 - a) Read Hebrews 8:12. How has not forgiving someone affected your life? Is there someone you still need to forgive? If so, how has this message spoken to your heart?
 - b) Joseph tells his brothers "Do not be afraid". What scriptures come to mind when you hear these words, and what is present in this passage that should bring us comfort and trust in God?
 - c) What are some of the things you can ask God to help you with to have a better gospel centered view in your life?

Read Genesis 50:22-26

- 8) What important thing do we learn about how Joseph spent the remainder of his life?
- 9) When Joseph knew he was about to die, who does he call to himself and what is the significance to what he says to them?
 - c) As you reflect on the life of Joseph, how would you describe the purpose of how God used Joseph's suffering to shape him into the leader he became? How does this apply to you?