Joseph Part 5 Genesis 42-50

A Different Perspective & An Unavoidable Truth

Your Past Will Continue To Convict You Until You Confront It

Genesis 42:18-22, 1 John 4:18, Romans 8:12-17

How To Confront Your Past

1. Confess Your Sins

Genesis 42:21, Proverbs 28:13, 1 John 1:8-9

2. Let Go Of Your Fears

Genesis 42:26-28; 43:16-18; 44:30-34, 2 Timothy 1:7

3. Recognize The Reality That Satan Is An Accuser

Revelation 12:7-10, Hebrews 7:25, Genesis 44:3-5

4. Embrace Grace

Genesis 45:1-7, Matthew 6:12-15, Ephesians 2:8

5. Memorize The Most Important Words In All Of Scripture

Genesis 50:15-20

BUT GOD

Genesis 50:20, Genesis 8:1, Acts 3:14-15, Psalm 49:14-15, Ephesians 2:4-5, Romans 5:7-8

Take Home Questions

- 1. What particularly stood out to you, challenged you or confused you in our final study in the life of Joseph this week?
- 2. Sometimes it is hard to remember both God's incredible provision of forgiveness and our need for it. The following verses take us back to the basics. Stop and reflect on each one and underline any key principles. How can each one help us grow in our ability and/or motivation to forgive?

Isaiah 53:6 Isaiah 59:1-3 Isaiah 55:6-7 Jeremiah 33:6-9

Colossians 3:12-15

3. When it comes to moving forward we can get often "stuck in the mud." How do the following verses help us look at our past with the correct perspective and move toward the future in a way that is healthy and productive?

Psalm 139:23-24 2 Corinthians 13:5 2 Corinthians 5:16, 20

4. Joseph's grace shown to his brothers is an incredible illustration of the grace God offers all who commit their lives to Him.

Write down as many examples you can find of God's grace being displayed in Ephesians 2:4-10.

5. Looking Ahead

Next week we will be our elder led pancake breakfast and we will be going through a Gospel Presentation called, "Jesus Is The Way." Take a moment as a group and (if anyone is willing) have them give a "Gospel Presentation" to the rest of the group as if everyone their has never heard of the Good News of Salvation in Jesus. If more than one person is willing than go around the room and take turns presenting the gospel to each other.