Spring: 2:42 Life Group Week 2

"From Prison to Promise" Genesis 40: 1-41: 41

Getting to know each other:

 Joseph went through a lot of difficult times in his life. But God was faithful to bring him through those times victoriously. What was the most difficult thing you have gone through so far in your life? What did you discover about God, yourself and others, as you went through it?

2) When we are going through difficult times, the enemy wants us to think certain thoughts about God and His relationship with us. When you think of how God looks at you, what do you think He sees?

Getting into the Word:

3) Joseph's life was also a life of sacrifice. But along the way he realized that God allowed certain things to come into his life because God wanted to lift him up and use him for greater plans and purposes. When Jesus came on the scene, He turned upside down what it meant to be great in God's kingdom...service and sacrifice for others. What do the following verses say about this, and how does this apply to your own life? Matt.20:26-28...Luke 6:27-31...Col.3:23-25...John 13:1-17...2Cor.9:6-8...1Pet.5:5-7.

4) There is an important balance between the Word of God and the Holy Spirit of God. Eph.4:15 tells us to "speak the truth in love." Without a proper balance it's easy for Christians to start leaning toward legalism or toward emotionalism. What can you glean from these verses concerning a proper balance between the Word and the Spirit?
Eph.5:17-21 & Col.3:16-17
Acts 1:8 & Heb.4:12
Gal.5:16-18 & Ps.119:9-11 & 105
John 15:5 & Phil.4:13

"Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God? " Pharaoh of Egypt