



Spring: 2:42 Life Group Week 6

“The Big Reveal”

Genesis 44:1-45:8

Getting to know each other:

- 1) Joseph certainly had a very difficult childhood. Would you want your children, or grandchildren, to have a childhood similar to yours? What would you want them to have that was the same? What would you definitely want to be different?

- 2) At the end of Ch.44, we see Judah stepping up and interceding on behalf of his little brother, Benjamin. Can you remember a time when you stood up for someone, or when someone stood up for you? What was the situation, and how did it turn out?

Getting into the Word:

- 3) As we heard in the message: "Joseph did not reveal himself to his brothers because he wanted to destroy them, but he wanted to be reconciled with them." And this is another parallel between Joseph and Jesus. Jesus did not come to condemn us or destroy us, but to save us and reconcile us to the Father. What do the following verses say to you about the way God sees you and loves you?

John 3:16-17...2 Pet.3:9...Jer.29:11...Ezek.18:30-32...Ezek.33:10-11...Isa.30:18...Luke 9:55-56...Rev.21:5-7.

- 4) The Sovereignty of God and the free will of man are clearly taught throughout the Bible. As humans, we have a hard time trying to reconcile these 2 Biblical truths. What do the following verses say about this, and how have you settled this issue in your mind?

Gen.2:15-17...John 6:35-40...John 15:16...John 12:44-50...Eph.1:3-6...Eph 1:13-14...Rom.8:28-30...Rom.10:9-17

"Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us."

Romans 5:5