

COLONIAL HILLS 2023

JOSEPH WEEK 6 OCTOBER 15, 2023
OLIVE BRANCH CAMPUS

TALK IT OVER

KEY SCRIPTURE

Genesis 28:12-15

Genesis 32:9-12, 24-28

Genesis 44

Hebrews 7:25-27

START TALKING. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- What is the most difficult test you have ever taken? [Either in school or just in life!]

START THINKING. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Why is the sovereignty of God such a vital aspect of our faith?

START SHARING. Choose a question to create openness.

- Read Genesis 28:12-15, and Genesis 32:9-12, 24-28. What does Jacob's prayer and wrestling match with God tell you about his faith at that time? How was his limp a sign of his faith?
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- Read Genesis 44:10-14. Does Jacob's faith look weak or strong to you in this passage? How does a long struggle with loss tend to affect your faith? Talk about how God has ever tested your faith more than once.
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- Read Genesis 44:12-17. Talk about how Joseph's treatment of Benjamin and his planting of the silver cup set his brother's up to reveal their true character, and how they responded to it. Has your character ever been tested?
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- Read Genesis 44:18-34 and Hebrews 7:25-27. How does Judah's speech reveal a love for his father and a willingness to face his own sins? How does he reflect the character of Christ in this speech?

START PRAYING. Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray for anyone in the group that is currently struggling with their faith.
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START DOING. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

Answer this question: Is your faith growing stronger or weaker these days, and why?