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Testing

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TALK IT OVER

KEY SCRIPTURE

Genesis 43 & 44

1 John 1:9

Genesis 50:17b

Psalms 32:1-5

James 5:16

Colossians 3:9

1 John 1:6-7

Ephesians 4:25

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START TALKING. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- When's the last time you created a plan for something only to have it complete undermined by a crisis?

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

- What appears to be the plan of Jacob in Ch42? What appears to be the plan of Joseph in 43 & 44? What appears to be the plan of God in these three chapters?

START SHARING. Choose a question to create openness.

- What keeps people from offering forgiveness? What keeps people from asking for forgiveness?
- How many years does it take for Joseph's brothers to ask for forgiveness? Why does it take so long?
- What are the similarities and differences between "vertical" and "horizontal" forgiveness?
- What is the connection between "awareness" and forgiveness? Why might sorrow alone be insufficient for forgiveness?
- Have you ever been made aware or confronted about your sin, but didn't feel like you were actually sinning? What did you do?
- Read Psalm 32:1-5. Respond.
- What makes our past a place of residence and not just a place of reference?
- What does the ministry of reconciliation look like?

START PRAYING. Be bold and pray with power.

- Please pray for Pastor Rick as he leads and serves the Olive Branch campus.

