

## JOSEPH

Forgiveness & Release

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## TALK IT OVER

### KEY SCRIPTURE

Genesis 45

Ephesians 4:23

Romans 12:17-19

### FAMILY MINISTRY

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**START TALKING.** Find a conversation starter for your group.

- How have you experienced the “fragility” of relationships?

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

- In your opinion, what are most powerful moments in Joseph’s story?

**START SHARING.** Choose a question to create openness.

- Why does Joseph dismiss the Egyptians before he reveals himself to his brothers?
- One of the themes of Genesis 45 is “revealing.” What all is being revealed in this chapter?
- Why might Joseph actually be “covering” his brothers in this moment? Are there other “covering” ways by Joseph? Hint: Examine the end of the chapter.
- Why is exposing wrongdoing or wrong doers sometimes just a twisted way to experience revenge? Why would some call it justice?
- What does it mean that theology is more “shown than known?” Why should that sober our theological pursuits?
- If your theology is shown, what kind of theology do you really have? Is there a theological discrepancy in your life right now?
- Why is forgiveness such a powerful craving? Why is the father craving so strong in people? How does the Gospel answer both cravings?

**START PRAYING.** Be bold and pray with power.

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