

COLONIAL HILLS 2023

JOSEPH WEEK 9 NOVEMBER 12, 2023
OLIVE BRANCH CAMPUS

TALK IT OVER

KEY SCRIPTURE

Genesis 47:28-31
Genesis 48
Hebrews 11:21

START TALKING. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Talk about some elderly person that you have known that has impressed you with their faith, and why it impacted you so much.

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

- How has growing older affected your faith?

START SHARING. Choose a question to create openness.

- Read Genesis 48:3, 15-16. How did Jacob make God alone the main focus of his conversation with Joseph? Discuss the names and characteristics of God that Jacob used in these verses. How would you characterize the faithfulness of God in your own life?
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- Read Genesis 48:8-16 and Hebrews 11:21. What does it mean to bless someone? How was it an act of faith in this passage? Why was the blessing such an important moment in Israel's history? What would it look like for you to bless your children?
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- Read Genesis 48:10. Why is physical touch so important? How can you honor and bless others through physical touch at this stage in your life?
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- Read Genesis 48:17-20. Why do you think Joseph was so upset when Jacob blessed Ephraim over Manasseh? What is the danger of comparing God's blessings on your life to his blessings on others? How do the blessings of God reveal his sovereign purposes?

START PRAYING. Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray specifically for the faith of your children (physical or spiritual) by name out loud in group.
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START DOING. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

This week, bless someone by sharing God's faithfulness in your life with them.