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GENESIS

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

THE BIG IDEA

God Transforms Lives

Sunday, February 19, 2023

THE BIBLE - Genesis 43

QUESTIONS

1. Vs. 1-10 - Jacob was holding tightly to his son, Benjamin, as he had with Joseph. Why? Do you think that his sons had become idols in his life taking the place of the One true God?
2. Vs. 1-10 - Judah at one time, had had a hard heart. Through the years God had begun to soften it. With this selfless act of leadership, Judah is an example of God's transforming power. Of whom have you seen exhibit God's transforming power? How has this transformation impacted those around them?
3. Vs. 14-22 - Jacob sent the brothers back to Egypt with double the money and double the goods to "buy" Joseph's mercy. Where do you need to offer mercy to others? Are you expecting someone to "pay" for your mercy?
4. Vs. 23-34 - We see the beginning of peace in Jacob's family and transformations that only God could orchestrate. When have you seen peace and reconciliation in your family? Are there steps that you can take to have peace in your life? In your family?

FURTHER STUDY NUGGETS

- Look at John 15:5-8 and search what it means to be transformed by clinging to the True Vine.
- Take time to reflect on how you have changed, been "transformed", over the years since accepting Christ as your Savior.
- Meditate on Galatians 5:22-26

THE FIVE 5 Verses For Discussion During Week
(Discipleship partner, around dinner table, on way to school in car, etc)



Monday
Ephesians 1:18

Tuesday
Psalms 105

Wednesday
Romans 5:5

Thursday
Psalms 27:1

Friday
John 14:27

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH: Psalm 145:8 - The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and great in mercy.