

ILLUMINATED by Holy Spirit
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GENESIS

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

THE BIG IDEA

God's Orchestration

Sunday, February 26, 2023

THE BIBLE - Genesis 44

QUESTIONS

1. Vs. 1-9 – When confronted with the possibility of an unthinkable thing, stealing from the second in command, the brothers make a rash declaration – promising death to the one who has stolen and slavery to the rest. How often have you spoken rashly and then lived to regret it? See Proverbs 18:17
2. Vs. 10-13 – The unthinkable has happened and it was Benjamin. The brothers mourn the situation and return to Egypt to appeal to “the man”. God, like Joseph, sometimes orchestrates circumstances in our lives to get us where He wants us – to acknowledge and repent of our sin. See Hosea 2:6-8
3. Vs. 14 – the fulfilling of Joseph’s dreams – see Genesis 37
4. Vs. 16 – The situation brings to light the brothers past indiscretion. Numbers 32:23 says “beware, your sin will find you out”. We try to forget our sin but the Holy Spirit will bring it to light. We see the principle of Galatians 6:7,8 in action. Does God do this today?
5. Vs. 33-34 – Judah steps up and fulfills his promise (see Gen. 43:9) by offering to become a slave instead of his brother. We are seeing the man that Judah is becoming. How often is it easier to not be a person of your word? Judah, with all his faults, has become a man of integrity. What is integrity? What are some characteristics of integrity? How does one grow in integrity?

FURTHER STUDY NUGGETS

- Study the blessings of walking in integrity - Proverbs 11:3; Proverbs 19:1; Proverbs 20:7; Proverbs 26:1

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



Monday
Proverbs 16:23

Tuesday
Proverbs 17:27

Wednesday
Galatians 6:7,8

Thursday
Proverbs 10:19

Friday
Proverbs 10:32

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