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MY REQUESTS

## GROWGROUP

Get more with these discussion  
questions about this week's message.

1. As a child, what did you want to be  
when you grew up?

### 2. Read Genesis 37

Consider (Genesis 37:3)

Why should Jacob have been aware of the dangers  
of playing favorites? Think back to Jacobs story  
in Genesis 29 for perspective.

Consider (Genesis 37:3-11)

From these verses how would you describe Joseph  
to someone who had never met him?

Where do you see favoritism causing damage  
in your life? What steps can you take to stop it?

Consider (Genesis 37:12-35)

Try to place yourself in the brothers' shoes. What  
would motivate them to take such drastic action?

### 2. Read Genesis 40:16-23

When has a low point turned out to be God  
preparing you for something better?

#### GrowGroup Challenge:

Make a list of several key blessings you've received  
in the past year. Spend time praising God for those  
blessings in whatever way feels appropriate to you.



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## MESSAGE NOTES

Ray R. Harris

November 15th, 2020



## JOHN 16:33

In this world, you will have trouble.  
But in me you will have peace.



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**John 16:33b** In this world, you will have trouble. But in me you will have peace.

## We live in the tension between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 45:1b-5** Joseph ... cried out, "Have everyone leave my presence!" So there was no one with Joseph when he made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard him, and Pharaoh's household heard about it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still living?" But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come close to me." When they had done so, he said, "I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you."

### What Joseph Never Forgot

#### Joseph remembered...

#### ① Who he was: \_\_\_\_\_

**Genesis 45:3** Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph!"

**Genesis 37:2,5** Joseph, a young man of seventeen, ... had a dream, ...

**Genesis 37:9** Joseph had another dream, ...

**Genesis 37:3** Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

**Genesis 37:14** So he said to him, "Go and see if all is well with your brothers and with the flocks, and bring word back to me."

**Genesis 37:17-18** So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

**Genesis 37:19** Here comes that dreamer!

**Genesis 37:23** So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe...

**Genesis 37:31** They got Joseph's coat, slaughtered a goat, and dipped the robe in the blood.

**1 Samuel 16:12** Joseph was dark and handsome, with beautiful eyes.

**Genesis 37:36** Meanwhile, the Midianite traders, arrived in Egypt, where they sold Joseph to Potiphar, ...

**Genesis 39:6 (NIRV)** With Joseph in charge, Potiphar didn't have to worry about anything ...

**Genesis 39:6** Joseph was well-built and handsome, ...

**Genesis 39:7** She took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with me!"

**Genesis 39:10 (NLT)** She kept putting pressure on Joseph day after day, but he refused to sleep with her, and he kept out of her way as much as possible.

**Genesis 39:12** She grabbed him by his clothes and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he ran outside and left his clothes in her hand.

**Genesis 40:8** We both had dreams. Joseph said to them, "Tell me your dreams."

#### Don't let the \_\_\_\_\_ get on the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 41:40** Pharaoh said to Joseph, there is no one so discerning and wise as you. You shall be in charge of my palace, and all my people are to submit to your orders.

**Genesis 41:41-43** Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt." Then Pharaoh took his signet ring from his finger and put it on Joseph's finger. He dressed him in robes of fine linen and put a gold chain around his neck. He had him ride in a chariot as his second-in-command, and people shouted before him, "Make way!" Thus he put him in charge of the whole land of Egypt.

#### Joseph remembered...

#### ② Who they were: \_\_\_\_\_

**Genesis 43:23** "It's all right, he said. "Don't be afraid."

**Hebrews 12:15b (NLT)** Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you ...

**Genesis 41:51-52** Joseph named his firstborn Manasseh and said, "It is because God has made me forget all my trouble and all my father's household." The second son he named Ephraim and said, "It is because God has made me fruitful in the land of my suffering."

#### Joseph remembered...

#### ② Who God is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Genesis 45:5-7** Do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance. So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God.

**Genesis 45:17-20** Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Tell your brothers to ...bring your father and your families back to me. I will give you the best of the land of Egypt ... Take some carts from Egypt for your children and your wives, and ... Never mind about your belongings, because the best of all Egypt will be yours."

**Genesis 45:22** To each of them he gave new clothing, ...

