

Reunion and Redemption - Genesis 44-46

- 1. In Genesis 44, Joseph sets up a situation where Benjamin appears guilty and the brothers are tested. What does Judah's response in verses 18–34 show about how his heart has changed since Genesis 37? Where have you seen God use pressure to reveal real change (or lack of it) in your own life?
- 2. Judah offers himself as a substitute for Benjamin (Genesis 44:33). How does that picture help you understand what true repentance and sacrificial love look like in relationships today?
- 3. In Genesis 45:4–8, Joseph reframes his entire story through God's providence: "You sold me here... but God sent me." What would it look like to retell your own story with "but God" at the center instead of what people did to you?
- 4. Joseph's brothers are stunned and silent when they find out who he really is (Genesis 45:3). If you knew that Jesus was going to sit down with you this week and walk through your story, what part of your past would you be most nervous for Him to bring up, and why?
- 5. Joseph does not just spare his brothers, he blesses them with provision, a place to live, and an invitation into favor (Genesis 45:16–20). How does his example challenge the way you think about forgiveness especially toward people who have really hurt you?
- 6. In Genesis 46:1–4, God tells Jacob not to be afraid to go down to Egypt and promises His presence and future faithfulness. Where are you hesitating to take the next step because it feels like leaving "safe ground," and how might God be inviting you to trust Him there?
- 7. Judah steps forward to offer his life for Benjamin, and generations later Jesus, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, offers His life for us. How does seeing that connection deepen your gratitude for the gospel and shape the way you respond to people who have failed you?

