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Genesis 42:1-2

When Jacob learned that there was grain in Egypt, he said to his sons, "Why do you just keep looking at each other? He continued, "I have heard that there is grain in Egypt. Go down there and buy some grain for us, so that we may live and not die."

Genesis 42:6b-7a

...So when Joseph's brothers arrived, they bowed down to him with their faces in the ground. As soon as Joseph saw his brothers, he recognized them, but he pretended to be a stranger and spoke harshly to them.

Psalms 105:16-17

He called down the famine on the land and destroyed all of their supplies of food; and he sent a man before them-Joseph, sold as a slave.

Genesis 12:2

"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you".

Genesis 15:5

He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars-if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

Genesis 15:13

Then the Lord said to him, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own, and they will be enslaved and mistreated four hundred years."

Genesis 42:21-22

They said to one another, "Surely we are being punished because of our brother. We saw how distressed he was when he pleaded for his life, but we would not listen; that's why this distress has come upon us. Ruben replied, "Didn't I tell you not to sin against this boy? But you wouldn't listen! Now we must give an accounting for his blood."

Genesis 43:8-9

Then Judah said to Israel his father, "Send the boy along with me and we will go at once, so that we and you and our children may live and not die. I myself will guarantee his safety; you can hold me personally responsible for him. If I do not bring him back to you and set him here before you, I will bear the blame before you all my life."

Genesis 43:43-44

The men had been seated before him in order of their ages, from the firstborn to the youngest; and they look at each other in astonishment. When portions were served to them from Joseph's table, Benjamin's portion was five times as much as anyone else's. So they feasted and drank freely with him.

Genesis 44:17

But Joseph said, "Far be it from me to do such a thing! Only the man who was found to have the cup will become my slave. The rest of you, go back to your father in peace."

Genesis 44:33-34

"Now then, please let your servant remain here as my lord's slave in the place of the boy, and let the boy return with his brothers. How can I go back to my father if the boy is not with me? No! Do not let me see the misery that would come upon my father.

Genesis 45:1-8

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all his attendants, and he 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 to 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. For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will not be plowing and reaping. But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant of earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance. "So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God...

Romans 8:28

And we all know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

We are forgiven from the penalty of our sin.

Romans 3:23

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

We are forgiven of the weight of the guilt.

Psalms 32:1-4

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I keep silent my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of the summer.

Psalms 32:5

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

We can live in the freedom of forgiveness.

Romans 6:5-7

If we have been united with him like this in death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin-because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.

Romans 8:28

And we all know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Genesis 45:4-5

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 to 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.

We can forgive others.

Genesis 45:3-4

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."