

JOSEPH

An Ordinary Radical

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Week 5 – God is Good!

Genesis 42-50 Summary

Personal Notes / Application

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Genesis 50:20

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SMALL GROUP Q'S

Personal Life:

1. In this series, we've seen God's providence as His ability to work on behalf of His children even through pain, suffering and evil. Can you think of a specific time or season in life when God worked providentially in your life or circumstance? Perhaps a time when your faith running thin, but in the end, God showed you that He had been working behind the scenes?

Ponderings:

2. Throughout his story Joseph displays amazing faith in His God, culminating in his statement, *"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives"* (Gen. 50:20). Can you think of some other Biblical stories or verses that correspond with this truth?
3. From what you can remember from the Joseph series, how does the story explicitly point us to Jesus? Why is it so critical that we read the Old Testament with an eye for how it points us to Christ? How is this radically different than reading the Old Testament in a moralistic sense?
4. Is there a circumstance in your life right now for which you can apply the truth of what we've learned in Joseph's story to help you walk with greater faith, peace and assurance, Share about what and how if you are willing...
5. In your mind, what does it mean to live life as an "ordinary radical?" Give some examples of how living on mission with Jesus can radically change the world. Is your daily life oriented toward that end, or are there constant distractions choking out the fulfillment of that mission?

Promptings

6. No matter what role(s) in life that you play (parent, child, employer, employee, artist, athlete, student, teacher, leader, etc.), share with the group one simple way that you intend for your life to radically impact the world as a conduit of heaven touching the earth...