

Forgiveness and Conviction

Genesis 42:1-28

1. An opportunity for _____ . (Served on a platter!)

Gen 42:6-7 So when Joseph's brothers arrived, they bowed down to him with their faces to the ground. As soon as Joseph saw his brothers, he recognized them,

- Joseph learned to _____ and was free from the _____ of unforgiveness.
- What about you?
 - Have you found yourself bound in the dungeon of bitterness and unforgiveness?
 - Do you regularly rehearse the wrongs that have been done to you in your mind?

2. Burning through the _____ .

- Joseph's brothers experience _____ :
- Gen 42:21: "Surely we are being punished because of our brother. We saw how distressed he was when he pleaded with us for his life, but we would not listen; that's why this distress has come upon us."
- Joseph's brothers are moved to _____ :
- Gen. 42:22 Reuben replied, "Didn't I tell you not to sin against the boy? But you wouldn't listen! Now we must give an accounting for his blood."
- True heart change involves _____ .

3. Suspicious and afraid of an act of _____ .

What to do when God brings about conviction in your heart:

- **Take responsibility for your sin.** Lord, I am not going to go on pretending like I can like I can rebel against You and that it won't matter, and I won't lie to myself saying You don't care, and that sin won't affect my life.
- **Confess your guilt to God.** Lord, I agree with You, I have broken Your commands, please forgive me! Please cleanse me! Please make me new!
- **Repent in faith.** Lord I believe that Jesus died for my sin, I trust Him and I turn away from my sin and brokenness and unbelieve in You. I want to follow Jesus. Please help me.

Next Steps for Growth:

- I want to begin to follow Jesus today.
- I want to be baptized.
- I want to become a member.

I want to be contacted by a pastor.

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Change my contact info

Mailing Address: _____

I am a: 1st time guest 2nd time guest Regular Attendee Member (taken membership class & committed to membership covenant)