

God Meant it For Good

Genesis 49:29–50:26

1. Total _____ ?

15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?" 16 So they sent word to Joseph, saying, "Your father left these instructions before he died: 17 'This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.' Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father." 18 His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. "We are your slaves," they said.

2. Looking through _____ - _____ lenses.

This is the crux of the whole narrative. This is the point of the whole story. Look at Joseph's perspective

- **Joseph refuses to put himself in the _____ of God.** "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God?"
- **Romans 12:19** Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.
- Application: Put God in His _____!
- **Joseph sees the good God has done _____ in spite of the evil God has allowed to be done _____.** "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives."
- **Romans 8:28 (ESV)** And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.
- Application: Zoom _____!

3. Joseph _____ good for bad. 21 So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children." And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.

Application: Go _____ eyed!

22 Joseph stayed in Egypt, along with all his father's family. He lived a hundred and ten years 23 and saw the third generation of Ephraim's children. Also the children of Makir son of Manasseh were placed at birth on Joseph's knees. 24 Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." 25 And Joseph made the sons of Israel swear an oath and said, "God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place." 26 So Joseph died at the age of a hundred and ten. And after they embalmed him, he was placed in a coffin in Egypt.

Next Steps for Growth:

I want to begin to follow Jesus today.

I want to be visited by a pastor

I want to be baptized.

I want to become a member.

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)