



Joseph and His Brothers Genesis 42 – 45

Joseph's Path

- Thrown into pit (ch. 37)
- Sold into slavery
- Sent to prison (ch. 39)
- Forgotten in prison (ch. 40)
- Elevated to place of honor (ch. 41)
- Seven years of plenty and seven years of famine

Key #1 God can work because of or in spite of, but trust that He is at work.

Joseph Tests His Brother's Hearts

- He gave them time to explain themselves (42:21-23)
- He gave them a chance to prove themselves (42:25-28, 43:12-15)
- He gave them a chance to establish a pattern (44:1-34)

Key #2 People can only do what is right if you give them the chance.

Joseph Restored to His Family

- To his brothers (45:1-8)
- To his father (45:1-9, 18)

Key #3 There is always a bigger cause than your own.