Study Guide - Joseph September 24, 2017

Read Genesis 37

What were some of the family dynamics going on at the time? Do you think Joseph's brothers were justified in their anger?

Have you ever been jealous of someone else? If so, how did you handle it?

How would you feel if you were Joseph in this situation? How would you have dealt with it?

Read Genesis 39

How did Joseph deal with this temptation? What can we learn about how to deal with temptations from Joseph's actions? Read Genesis 45:1-15

Even though Joseph was in a powerful position where he could have taken revenge on his brothers, he forgave them?
What lessons can we learn about forgiveness from Joseph?

Sometimes we can have misconceptions as to what it means to forgive. What does for giveness really mean?

Read Matthew 18:21-35

Why is forgiveness so important?



Joseph presents us with a parallel to Jesus. As a group look for these elements - for example Joseph is sold for 20 pieces of silver - Jesus is betrayed for 30 pieces of silver.

Take some time in silent prayer to confess your sins and to forgive the sins done to you.