

## CONNECT QUESTIONS

- 1) Share some ways you have seen God work in your life this week.
- 2) Share some ways you have struggled to obey God's Word and live out your faith in Christ.
- 3) Read Genesis 45:1-8, 50:14-21. Joseph understood that God was with him all through His life. How did that truth ultimately impact his reconciliation with his family?
- 4) What are some ways we tend to allow our hurts to make us bitter toward others? How do we let go of that hurt and begin to move toward reconciliation?
- 5) What are some practical steps we can take to embrace God's grace and forgiveness, and how can we give that same grace and forgiveness away to others?
- 6) Take a moment to pray for one another and for our church family.

### Key Verse

*But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in God's place?"* Genesis 50:19

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▪ **March 1, 2020** ▪  
10:00 AM & 6:00 PM

Song Of Praise

*"Only King Forever"*

Call To Worship

Songs Of Praise

*"It Is Well With My Soul"*  
*"Worshipping You"*

Communion

Giving Of Our Tithes & Offerings

Song Of Praise

*"In Christ Alone"*

Dismiss Kids / Greet One Another

Teaching

**Pastor Duane**

▪ *Kingdom & The Cross—Part 1* ▪

Closing Prayer

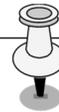
Benediction

**Genesis 45:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Then Joseph could not control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried, "Have everyone go out from me." So there was no man with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. <sup>2</sup>He wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard of it. <sup>3</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. <sup>4</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Please come closer to me." And they came closer. And he said, "I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup>Now do not be grieved or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting. <sup>7</sup>God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to keep you alive by a great deliverance. <sup>8</sup>Now, therefore, it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his household and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

**Genesis 50:14-21**

<sup>14</sup>After he had buried his father, Joseph returned to Egypt, he and his brothers, and all who had gone up with him to bury his father. <sup>15</sup>When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong which we did to him!" <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father charged before he died, saying, <sup>17</sup>'Thus you shall say to Joseph, "Please forgive, I beg you, the transgression of your brothers and their sin, for they did you wrong.'" And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." And Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>Then his brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in God's place? <sup>20</sup>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive. <sup>21</sup>So therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." So he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.



*Teaching Notes...*

**"Living Forgiveness"**

*March 1, 2020*

**What Not To Do:**

- 1) Don't \_\_\_\_\_ wrong to others.
- 2) Don't allow others to be \_\_\_\_\_ of you.
- 3) Don't impose \_\_\_\_\_ on others.

**What To Do:**

- 1) Ask God for \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 2) Continue to \_\_\_\_\_ forgiveness.
- 3) Translate forgiveness into \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Bottom Line Question**

Test: Can I \_\_\_\_\_ for others?