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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Joseph - BIG Faith in a BIG God **Week 2** Genesis 41

ICE-BREAKER (choose one):

- Which current government leader would you like to meet and why?
- Do you have a hard time believing Joseph's story really happened? Why, or why not?

READ: Genesis 41:1-40

DISCUSS: (Choose the questions that relate best to your Small Group)

How would going from being the chosen son to a slave affect your faith in God?

How do you respond when you think God is guiding you one way, but you come to a twist in the road that is confusing?

Why is it that wealth and prosperity sometimes move us away from faith in God?

What made Potiphar, the prison warden, the cup bearer, the baker, and Pharaoh so willing to listen to Joseph?

What qualities in Joseph's life stand out to you? Which would you like to possess in greater measure personally?

APPLY:

How would it change things if before every major decision, every action, and every reaction, you paused to acknowledge God's presence in your life?

How is it possible to live like God is with you when you have just about everything you could ever want or need?

What makes the prosperity test so much harder to pass than the poverty test? Why is it so difficult to bring God into the equation when life is good?

Are you facing a seemingly hopeless situation (at work, at home, or at school) right now? What would be the appropriate response for someone with big faith?