

SEPTEMBER 19, 2020  
“VICTORIOUS LOVE”

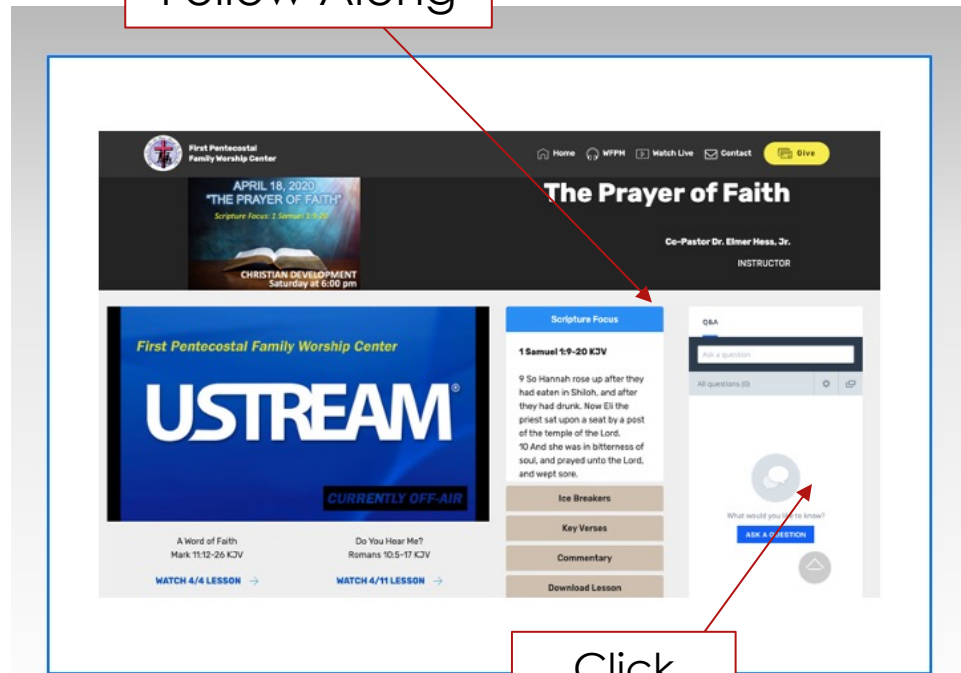
*Scripture Focus: Genesis 42:6-25*



**CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT**  
**Saturday at 6:00 pm**

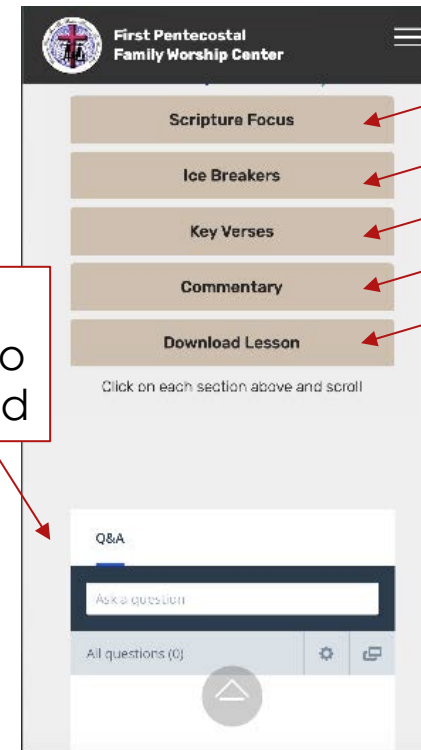
# Q&A: Questions/Responses

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Remain in me, as I also remain in you.  
No branch can bear fruit by itself;  
it must remain in the vine. Neither can  
you bear fruit unless you remain in me.  
**JOHN 15:4 NIV**

**REBUILDING THROUGH**

**SPIRITUAL**

**CONNECTION**



YOU CANNOT  
HAVE VICTORY  
WITHOUT CONFLICT

- Bishop T.D. Jakes



A black and white photograph of a person wearing a dark trench coat and a fedora hat. The person's face is completely in shadow, making it impossible to see. The lighting highlights the texture of the hat and the lapels of the coat. The background is dark and indistinct.

**Secrets will come to light.**



## Icebreaker Question #1

How would you counsel  
someone who seems to be  
mentally enslaved by guilt of a  
past misdeed?



## Icebreaker Question #2

What guardrails can we erect to keep from crossing the line between legitimate testing (evaluation) and desire for revenge?

# CYCLE OF RESTORATION

***RECOGNITION***

***RECONCILIATION***

***RESTORATION***

***REVELATION***



# PROCESS OF CHANGE

(Dr. John Maxwell)

**THINKING** AFFECTS **BELIEVING**  
WHICH AFFECTS OUR **EXPECTATIONS**  
WHICH AFFECTS OUR **ATTITUDE**  
WHICH AFFECTS OUR **BEHAVIOR**  
WHICH AFFECTS OUR **PERFORMANCE**  
WHICH AFFECTS OUR **LIFE**

Look at the order...Whenever, you get stuck, go back to the beginning and ask, **“What am I thinking about?”**

- Philippians 4:8
- Proverbs 23:7

# QUOTES ON VICTORY

- OVERWHELMING VICTORY IS ACHIEVED WHEN GOD GETS THE GLORY IN OUR LIFE
- MANY ARE WORRIED ABOUT CORPORATE VICTORY, BUT DO YOU HAVE PERSONAL VICTORY? - HABITATION CONFERENCE
- VICTORY BEGINS WITH OUR MOTIVE - DR. E.R. HESS JR.
- THE GREATER THE ATTACK, THE GREATER THE VICTORY - BISHOP JAKES

# QUOTES ON LOVE

- YOU HAVE TO LOVE LIKE YOU'VE NEVER BEEN HURT - FRANKLIN JENSON
- LOVE LEAVES A MEMORY NO ONE CAN STEAL. (GOD'S GRACE PROVIDES A HEALING, THAT ONLY JESUS CHRIST CAN GIVE.)

# Dr. Martin Luther King Quotes

- LOVE IS THE ONLY FORCE CAPABLE OF TRANSFORMING AN ENEMY INTO FRIEND.
- DARKNESS CANNOT DRIVE OUT DARKNESS; ONLY LIGHT CAN DO THAT. HATE CANNOT DRIVE OUT HATE; ONLY LOVE CAN DO THAT.
- I HAVE DECIDED TO STICK WITH LOVE; HATE IS TOO GREAT A BURDEN TO BEAR.





## LESSON OUTLINE

# JOSEPH, THE FORGIVING SAINT

Genesis 42:1-48:22

# LESSON OUTLINE

## JOSEPH AND HIS BROTHERS – Genesis 42:1-45:28

- ▶ The unknown brother (42:1-44:34)
- ▶ First trip of Jacob's sons to Egypt (42:1-38)

# LESSON OUTLINE

- 1) **The reason** (42:1-6): Jacob tells his ten oldest sons, "I have heard there is grain in Egypt. Go down and buy some for us before we all starve to death."
- 2) **The recognition** (42:7-8): Joseph recognizes his brothers, but they do not recognize him.
- 3) **The rebuke** (42:9-14): Attempting to make them squirm, Joseph accuses his brothers of being spies, which they deny.
- 4) **The requirement** (42:15-20): Joseph demands that his brothers return home and bring back Benjamin, the youngest brother. Simeon is kept as a guarantee that they will return.

# LESSON OUTLINE

- 5) **The remorse** (42:21-23): The guilt-stricken brothers conclude that God is punishing them for selling Joseph into slavery.
- 6) **The restraint** (42:24): Upon hearing this, Joseph leaves the room so that he does not reveal his true identity as he weeps.
- 7) **The return** (42:25-28): The nine brothers arrive in Canaan with their food. As they unpack, they are astounded to discover in their bags the money they had used to buy the food!
- 8) **The review** (42:29-38): Jacob's sons tell him all about their first trip, including how "the man" (Joseph) has requested that Benjamin accompany them on their return journey. Jacob refuses.



# LESSON NUGGETS

1

God has a plan.

2

God wants to give you so much more if you can pass the test.

3

Focus on God and not revenge.

# CONCLUSION

## The Importance of Tears

Joseph had settled into life in Egypt, secure in his powerful position. He had married and started a family. He had taken over the responsibility of providing grain for those who had traveled from near and far to Egypt because of the severe famine that had ravaged many countries. It was business as usual for Joseph until he looked up and saw a group of 10 men dressed like he used to be when he lived in Canaan. And then he realized—these were his brothers! They too had come to Egypt to buy grain.

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# CONCLUSION

## The Importance of Tears

That Joseph's motives for acting as he did toward his brothers were not rooted in selfishness or vindictiveness is seen most of all in his tears. He could not control his emotions when he learned that Reuben had actually intended to spare his life. Though the brothers did not know it, the governor of Egypt was already planning how to see his father again and keep his whole family safe.

## NEXT WEEK'S LESSON

FALL QUARTER  
"STRUGGLES WITH LOVE"

# REVEALED LOVE

Genesis 45:1-8,10-15

### ICEBREAKER QUESTIONS:

1. How can we overcome the desire for revenge?
2. How can you extend forgiveness to someone who has wronged you?



Prayer List

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FACEBOOK COMMENTS,  
PLEASE SEND YOUR  
PRAYER REQUEST

Thank You  
for Attending  
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