

"Divine Intervention"

God Makes It Good Genesis 50:15-26

He works through our:

I. Repentance - "Forgive, I pray thee...the trespasses" (vs. 15-19)

Revealing our:

- A. Faults "all the evil we did unto him"
- B. Feelings "Joseph wept when they spake unto him"
- C. Focus "Fear not, for am I in the place of God?"
- II. Reliance "to save much people alive" (vs. 20-21)

Recognizing His:

- A. Control "evil against me...God meant it unto good"
- **B.** Comfort "fear ye not: I will nourish you"
- C. Communication "spake kindly unto them"
- III. Remembrance "God...sware to Abraham" (vs. 22-26)

Reminded by our:

- A. Consistency "brought up upon Joseph's knees"
- B. Confidence "God will surely visit you and bring you out">>> READ Elizabeth Elliott
 - C. Commitment "Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel"

Sentence Sermon:

"In the midst of a fallen world, God is working all things together for good."

Additional Verses

- > Psalm 145:9; 100:5
- James 1:7
- **→** *Galatians* 5:22
- > II Corinthians 1:20-22
- *▶ Hebrews* 11:22
- > Genesis 15:13, 16
- Genesis 45:5, 7-8
- > Romans 8:28
- II Timothy 1:7
- > I John 3:3
- > II Corinthians 1:3-5; 4:16-17
- ➤ I Peter 1:6-7
- > James 3:17-18

Bones of Joseph

- Exodus 13:15-19
- Joshua 24:32

Questions to Ponder:

- 1. What are the key words in this passage?
- 2. Who is the central character of the passage?
- 3. What does v.15 tell us about Joseph's brothers?
- 4. Why did they choose to send a messenger to Joseph?
- 5. What do you think the brothers thought Joseph would do?
- 6. Do you think Jacob had really told them to tell Joseph to forgive?
- 7. Were the brothers truly sorry for what they had done? Explain.
- 8. Why did Joseph respond by weeping? Was he sad or happy?
- 9. What does Joseph mean by "am I in the place of God?"
- 10. How would you summarize what v. 21 communicated his brothers.
- 11. Why did Joseph want his bones carried out of Egypt?
- 12. What are some ways that God has made good out of bad for you?