

## “GOD’S GREATER PLAN”

THE LIFE OF JOSEPH SERIES [#17]

GENESIS 50:15-21

INTRODUCTION — ◇ OLD MINISTER’S BOOKMARK: SILK THREADS...

### A. HAVE GUILTY FEARS?

1. SAFETY NET GONE — JACOB DIED FEAR OF REPRISAL; CF: ESAU
2. SINS REMEMBERED     √ PROVOKED BY TRIP...
3. SUBMISSION RENDERED / FORGIVENESS SOUGHT

### B. HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

1. DO NOT FEAR — HAVE FAITH IN THE LORD; TEARS & TESTIMONY
2. REVENGE IS NOT MINE, BUT GOD’S (PREROGATIVE)
3. RESCUE & REDEMPTION IS IN GOD’S PLAN     GEN 45:5-8

### C. HEAR THE GOOD NEWS!

1. DO NOT LOOK TO ME, BUT LOOK TO GOD – (I FORGIVE)
2. GOD WORKED FOR THE GOOD OF MANY — ROM. 8:28
3. “BUT GOD...” — WHAT FAITH SEES

### APPLICATIONS

- ◆ FAITH IN GOD IS FIRST
- ◆ FORGIVENESS AMONG BROTHERS MUST FOLLOW - EPH 4:31-32
- ◆ FIND HOPE IN GOD’S PROMISES >> JESUS CHRIST

✠ AMEN ✠

### BUT GOD:

ACTS 7:9 “AND THE PATRIARCHS, JEALOUS OF JOSEPH, SOLD HIM INTO EGYPT; BUT GOD WAS WITH HIM

ACTS 13:30 (BURIED) BUT GOD RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD...

ROMANS 5:8 ...BUT GOD SHOWS HIS LOVE FOR US IN THAT WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US.

1 COR. 1:27 BUT GOD CHOSE WHAT IS FOOLISH IN THE WORLD TO SHAME THE WISE; GOD CHOSE WHAT IS WEAK IN THE WORLD TO SHAME THE STRONG

EPH. 2:4-5 4 BUT GOD, BEING RICH IN MERCY, BECAUSE OF THE GREAT LOVE WITH WHICH HE LOVED US, 5 EVEN WHEN WE WERE DEAD IN OUR TRESPASSES, MADE US ALIVE TOGETHER WITH CHRIST—BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED

# LOOK TO GOD:

- >> DO WE BEAR TESTIMONY TO GOD’S GRACE TO US?
- >> DO WE POINT MEN TO KNOW THE LORD AS WE DO?

EPH 4:31-32

LET ALL BITTERNESS AND WRATH AND ANGER AND CLAMOR AND SLANDER BE PUT AWAY FROM YOU, ALONG WITH ALL MALICE. 32 BE KIND TO ONE ANOTHER, TENDERHEARTED, FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER, AS GOD IN CHRIST FORGAVE YOU.