

Genesis 40:1-23

Community Group Questions

1. Read Genesis 40:1-23. What did you find most helpful, challenging or encouraging from this week's passage and message?

2. **Preparation in Hidden Seasons**
 - Joseph's time in prison seemed wasted, yet God was preparing him for future leadership. How have you seen God use hidden or difficult seasons in your life to prepare you for something later?

3. **Bad Things, Good People**
 - Joseph suffered injustice for many years. How does his story challenge or encourage you when bad things happen to you or those you love?
 - What's the difference between how the world explains suffering and how Scripture explains it?

4. **Faithfulness in Suffering**
 - Joseph cared for others and pointed them to God even while enduring injustice himself. What does this teach us about living faithfully during trials?
 - What makes it hard to focus on others' needs when we are struggling?

5. **Truth-Telling and Faithfulness**
 - Joseph delivered both good and bad news faithfully. In what areas of life or relationships do you find it most difficult to speak truth with love?
 - Why do you think many people (or even churches) are tempted to soften or avoid hard truths?

6. **God's Faithfulness vs. Human Forgetfulness**
 - The cupbearer forgot Joseph, but God did not. When have you felt forgotten by people but remembered by God?
 - How does the truth, "You might be forgotten by others, but you will never be forsaken by the LORD," bring hope in your current circumstances?

7. Looking to Jesus

- The thief on the cross asked Jesus to “remember me.” How does that moment connect with Joseph’s story of being forgotten in prison?
- What does it mean for us today to trust that Jesus will not forget us?