



Introduction (session four video)

Getting started

Why is it so easy to remember the catalog of wrongs others have done to you? Why is it so unproductive?

Winning is NOT about what others have done to you

Genesis 42:8-9

“So Joseph recognized his brothers, but they did not recognize him. Then Joseph remembered the dreams which he had dreamed about them, and said to them, “You are spies! You have come to see the nakedness of the land!”

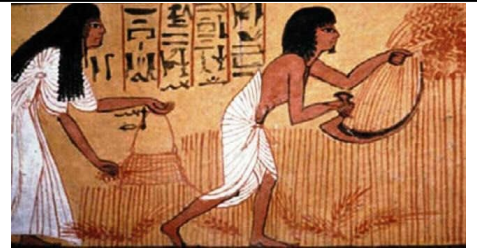
What was the dream he remembered? How was this fulfilled?
Look at [Genesis 37:5-11](#).

The meeting with the brothers took place 20 years or more since they sold him into slavery. What does his response indicate he had been doing during this time?

How should we spend our time waiting for possible resolution to past slights and hurts?

According to [James 5:7-8](#) we should wait patiently for God to right injustices, why is that hard? Why is that best?

SIDENOTE



Grain production in Egypt's Nile basin was essential to life and prosperity in the kingdom.

Winning IS about what God has done for you

Genesis 50:19-20

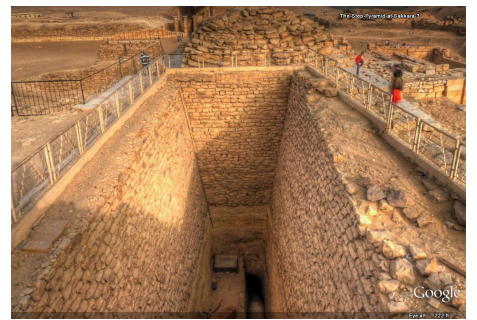
*“And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God?
But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is
this day, to save much people alive.”*

Recount what God had done for Joseph during the years of waiting. Recount some of God’s blessings in your life and share with the group.

How does it help you that two stories can be playing at the same time, one the work of man and one the work of God? Explain.

What can you be doing in the present to express your faith that God is working out the past and the future in your life and He means it all for good?

SIDENOTE



Ruins of an ancient grain storage facility in Egypt.

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