



**Family Matters: Both Sides of Parenting**  
Genesis 45-50

**Main Idea:** In parenting, attitude is everything!

**Connect:** How did your parents let you know your attitude needed an adjustment?

**Discuss**

1. What from this week's message have you applied to your current family situation?
2. How can you take an active role in encouraging particular attitudes in your relationships? How can you discourage other attitudes?
3. Examine the attitude Joseph greeted his brother's with. How differently would that experience have been had Joseph's attitude been changed?
4. Are there certain stages of life that teach us particular attitudes? What is your role in teaching these attitudes to other generations?
5. What does it mean to bless another person? Is it different today than it was in Jacob's day?
6. How does God typically adjust our attitudes? What attitudes do you need to change?

**Live it Out**

- It is easy to get caught up in what is happening in the present. Allow God to show you the growth you've experienced and how your attitudes have changed. Pray for the growth you've yet to see and the attitudes you would like to develop.
- Encourage someone in their walk with Christ. Let them know you see the change in their life. Or,, share with someone the change in your attitudes that you've experience since coming to know Christ.

**Other Scripture references:**