



2. Looking back, Joseph could see God's presence, protection, and provision through his life in Egypt. How does the perspective gained through time help us to release those that may have wronged us in the past?

3. Why do you think people often fixate on vengeance and gaining revenge when they've been wronged?

4. Is this the way God desires his people to interact with those who have wronged them? Why do you say that?

5. Why is it important for us to leave vengeance to the LORD?

6. How does trusting God with the pain, help us to release those who've wronged us?

**Read Matthew 6:12-15; Romans 5:8**

7. Why is it important to recognize that we've received forgiveness?

8. When we receive God's love, not as something to be earned, but something that was freely given, how does that free us to extend forgiveness to others?

9. Is there an area of your life where you need to receive God's love and forgiveness?

**Read Job 36:7; Psalm 103:12; Isaiah 53:5-6; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 3:12**

10. What do these verses say about how God sees us?

11. How is God able to see us as righteous?

12. How does believing we are saved/washed clean by the blood of Jesus Christ, allow us extend forgiveness to others?

### **Moving Forward**

1. Take a few minutes to tell God how much you have needed Him to pardon you and thank Him that He has forgiven you fully and freely.

2. Because of the forgiveness God has given me, I choose to forgive \_\_\_\_\_. (Fill in the blank with the name, relationship or circumstance that He brings to mind.) Ask Him to help you release it fully and freely, leaving justice to Him in this relationship or situation.