



Part 12: God Intended It For Good

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Last week's question:

Are you willing to allow God to change your story?

Sometimes God changes our circumstances.

Other times God uses our circumstances to change us.

Genesis 41:1

When two full years had passed, Pharaoh had a dream.

Your trial might take longer than you expect.

There's a purpose for the pain.

Genesis 45:4-5

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come close to me." When they had done so, he said, "I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you."

The story of Joseph opens us up to a new way of seeing life.

You sold me vs. God sent me.

Genesis 50:20

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

Philippians 1:6

I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Small Group Questions

- 1) After two summers, we've made it to the end of Genesis! What has been your biggest takeaway from this series?
- 2) Is there anything you're wanting to give up on that you realize God might be using to shape you?
- 3) Is there an area of your life God is calling you to trust him in? Can you or the group identify a possible next step in that area?
- 4) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?