

Weekend Message Questions

Under Pressure

2/13-14/21

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CHECK-IN: Check with the members of your group to see how they are doing.

REVIEW:

- Week 1:
 - Walking in relational pain
 - Relational Pain Triangle
 - Putting God in the center

Walking In Relational Patience

TOPIC: Joseph had a strained relationship with his family.

DISCUSS: How do you relate to this?

TOPIC: Perspective: the ability to see beyond ourselves, those around us, and our circumstances for a greater good

DISCUSS: Is it challenging for you to see beyond yourself? If not, what helps you to stay on course?

READ Genesis 45:1-8 & Genesis 50:19-20

DISCUSS: Would you be able to be as mature as Joseph in this situation? Why or why not?

Perspective says...God can use my pain for good.

Perspective says...God is working even when I can't see it.

Perspective says...It's not all about me.

READ Ezekiel 36:26 & Luke 6:43-46

DISCUSS: Would the people closest to you say you have an open heart? What are your "blind spots" when it comes to this?

Revenge, grudges, hatred, unforgiveness, gossip, bitterness, meanness, etc. are enemies of an open heart.

READ: Genesis 50:19-20

DISCUSS: How can you take the next steps each day to trust God over again?

READ Colossians 3:13 & Ephesians 5:21

DISCUSS: What is the next step you need to take in your relationships?

READ Romans 12:18

DISCUSS: What does it take for you to have an open heart?

DIY: Each day this week I will READ and REFLECT on Ezekiel 36:26. In my prayer time I will ask God to give me an open heart.

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PRAY

Can you use prayer? <https://hopefellowship.net/prayer-request/>