

God Can Do Something Good: Joseph

Michael Warren, July 4, 2021 Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say? Take some time to look up and read: Genesis 37-50 OR...

Take some time to review the highlights from the story of Joseph

- 1. How does Joseph's life get progressively worse?
- 2. What good does God do for Joseph even amidst the trouble in his life?
- 3. How does God use Joseph to help others?

Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures? Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 4. What part of Joseph's life gets your attention? Have you had a similar experience? Is there part of his story that is difficult for you to grasp? What can you connect with?
- 5. Share a story about a time in your life when:
 - When your life seemed to be getting worse... and God did something good.
 - When someone you cared about was in trouble... and God did something good.
 - When it really seemed impossible ... and God did something good.
- 6. The scriptures promise that life on earth will not always be easy (John 16:33). What are some ways that we can "prepare for trouble" so that we are strong and fortified when trouble comes?

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

- 7. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?
 - ** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today **