

MESSAGE NOTES
THE LIFE OF JOSEPH

AUGUST 27, 2023
"TAKING THE HIGH ROAD"

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU SUDDENLY HAD THE POWER AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO HURT SOMEONE WHO HURT YOU?

In GEN 41:1-28...

1. We find Joseph's greatest _____ to date
2. Where his _____ character is revealed

Truth be told, most of us _____ of this kind of opportunity

- To get the _____ on someone who hurt us
- To execute _____
- To make an offender _____ at our feet
- To make an offender _____ for our forgiveness
- To pronounce _____ & _____

READ GENESIS 42:1-28

JOSEPH CONTINUES TO TEACH US THAT _____ COUNTS

1. His trust is _____
2. His patience is _____
3. His grace is _____

"Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, 'I will take revenge; I will pay them back,' (DEUT 32:35) says the Lord." ROM 12:19

"Instead, 'If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals of shame on their heads.' (PROV 25:21-22) Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good." ROM 12:20-21

Take the High Road

1. Vengeance is _____
→ God often allows people to _____ what they've sown
"...never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God." ROM 12:19
"People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be exposed." PROV 10:9
2. Vengeance is _____
→ It hurts _____ more than the _____
"Don't let evil conquer you..." ROM 12:21
3. There is a _____ than getting even
→ Sometimes God's kindness is experienced by His giving of _____
= God _____ us what we deserve
→ Sometimes God's kindness is experienced by His giving of _____
= God _____ us what we don't deserve
"...conquer evil by doing good." ROM 12:21
"So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free." GAL 5:1