OVERCOMER The Life of Joseph

ADULTS & STUDENTS DISCUSSION GUIDE MESSAGE: MAY 17, 2020

- OVERCOMING LIFE'S ULTIMATE CHALLENGE -

GOD'S WORD BRINGS COMFORT AND ASSURANCE THAT YOU CAN FACE LIFE'S ULTIMATE CHALLENGE WITH GRACE AND PEACE.

DISCUSS:

- GENESIS 49:28-33; 50:1-14, 22-26 -
- WHAT IS THE GREATEST CHALLENGE THAT YOU THINK EXISTS IN LIFE? IF YOU HAD TO USE TWO WORDS
 TO DESCRIBE HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT FACING DEATH, WHAT WOULD THEY BE?
- COULD YOU HONESTLY SAY THAT YOUR LAST DAY HERE ON EARTH COULD ALSO BE YOUR BEST DAY?
 PLEASE EXPLAIN.
- ACCORDING TO PASTOR DARRYL, THERE ARE THREE IMPORTANT THINGS IN PREPARING FOR LIFE'S
 ULTIMATE CHALLENGE OF DEATH: (I) THE IMPORTANCE OF INFORMING, (2) THE IMPORTANCE OF
 BLESSING, (3) AND THE IMPORTANCE OF PLANNING. HOW DO WE SEE THESE DEMONSTRATED IN OUR
 PASSAGE? WHICH OF THESE DO YOU NEED TO DO IN YOUR LIFE MOST?
- GRIEVING IS PART OF LIFE'S ULTIMATE CHALLENGE OF DEATH. READ JOHN 11:32-36? WHAT DO WE LEARN ABOUT GOD IN THIS PASSAGE? HOW DOES THIS HELP US DURING THE PAIN OF GRIEF?

APPLY:

- ACCORDING TO GENESIS 50:1-3, 10-11, WE SEE (1) THE PAIN OF GRIEF, (2) THE PROCESS OF GRIEF, (3) AND THE POWER OVER GRIEF. WHILE GRIEF IS EXPRESSED DIFFERENTLY OVER DIFFERENT PERIODS OF TIME, HOW DOES OUR FAITH IMPACT HOW WE EXPERIENCE BOTH THE PROCESS AND THE POWER OVER GRIEF?
- "DEATH IS NOT A DREADED ENEMY BUT A FACT THAT WE MUST FACE WITH FAITH." WHAT IS ONE SPECIFIC AREA THAT YOU NEED PRAYER FOR TO HAVE FAITH OVER FEAR IN? ALSO, READ I THESSALONIANS 4:13-14. HOW DOES THIS GIVE US HOPE?
- OVERCOMING LIFE'S ULTIMATE CHALLENGE OF DEATH REQUIRES: (1) CONVICTION ABOUT THE PLAN OF GOD, AND (2) CONFIDENCE IN THE PROMISE OF GOD. GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOU AND FOR ETERNITY. DO YOU BELIEVE THIS TO BE TRUE? HOW DOES IT EFFECT HOW YOU APPROACH DEATH?
- THE ONLY THING THAT ABRAHAM EVER OWNED IN THE PROMISE LAND WAS A GRAVE. EVEN AT THE END, HE KNEW THAT GOD WAS FAITHFUL TO FULFILL HIS PROMISES. READ I CORINTHIANS 15:51-58.
 HOW DOES THIS PASSAGE USHER HOPE FOR YOU FACING WHATEVER LIES AHEAD IN YOUR LIFE AND DEATH AS A FOLLOWER OF CHRIST?

PRAY TOGETHER:

PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER: TO SEE DEATH. NOT AS THE END, BUT IN TERMS OF A HOPE FILLED ETERNITY.

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