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Joseph's Final Witness

Genesis 50:14-21

The Story of Genesis

- _____ Gen. 1-2
- The _____ Gen. 3
- The _____ Gen. 3
- The Problem _____ Gen. 4-11
- The Pivotal Passage – Gen. 12:1-3
- The _____ Gen. 12-50

The "melodic line" of Genesis: Human _____ can't stop God's _____.

What Joseph Wants His Brothers to See

1. His _____ heart
2. God's _____

Connection Card Next Steps –
***Step 1 – I will thank God** for a situation where He has remained faithful, even when I was failing to obey Him
***Step 2 – I will demonstrate** mercy to a difficult person this week, just as God has demonstrated mercy to me.

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- Which character below have you identified with the most in Genesis? Why do you connect with that person's story?
    - Noah
    - Abraham
    - Sarah
    - Hagar
    - Isaac
    - Jacob
    - Joseph

- Joseph's brothers thought he would punish them, despite all the mercy he had already demonstrated. Which positive traits of God do YOU tend to forget despite His track record?

- Read Luke 19:41-44. Why is Jesus weeping as He looks at Jerusalem? Which of our behaviors do you think would make Jesus weep?

- Joseph's brothers struggle to believe he is really showing them grace – and we often struggle to accept God's grace. Read these passages and discuss how God's grace should affect the way we see ourselves and how we should live.
    - Eph. 2:8-10
    - Rom. 3:23
    - Rom. 5:8
    - 2 Tim. 1:9