

**REVEALED & RECONCILED**  
{Genesis 44:1-45:8}

**Let's Review:**

1. The *key truth* about GOD from the story of Joseph involves learning about His amazing sovereign and gracious \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ {the nation of Israel} in keeping with His \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The *key principle* for YOU to learn involves recognizing that regardless of your \_\_\_\_\_, by God's grace you can \_\_\_\_\_ in God's unfailing \_\_\_\_\_ so as to be \_\_\_\_\_ to Him wherever you are. {Genesis 50:20}
3. The *key encouragement* to you is God is willing to save you \_\_\_\_\_, but He doesn't want to leave you \_\_\_\_\_, though He is willing to work with you \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The *key instruction* to remember is that you can either daily \_\_\_\_\_ to life's trials by \_\_\_\_\_ on the Lord & \_\_\_\_\_ in His plan / promises or you can \_\_\_\_\_.

**A. The FINAL TEST of Joseph's Brothers. {Genesis 44:1-34}**

**1. Passing out the test. {44:1-5}**

- What does this indicate about Joseph? {vs. 1}
- The plan. {vs. 2-5}
- What was the purpose of this test?

**2. Taking the test. {44:6-13}**

- The accusations by the steward. {vs. 6}
- How do the brothers respond & what was their proof of innocence? {vs. 7-8}
- Their proposal to prove their innocence? {vs. 9}
- The examination of each brother's sack. {vs. 10 – 12}
- How did the brothers respond to the cup being found in Benjamin's sack? {vs. 13}

**3. Passing the test vertically. {44:14-16}**

- Who will be highlighted in this section?
- How does he first respond to this accusation? Did he pass the test? {44:14-16}
- Are you passing the test of walking humbly & transparently before the Lord?

#### **4. Passing the test horizontally. {44:17-34}**

- How did Joseph then modify Judah's proposal as part of the test? {44:17}
- Judah's review of the past events & appeals to Joseph. {44:18-34}
- What two angles of appeal did Judah take? {44:35-38}
- Did Judah & his brothers pass the test? Why?

### **B. The FAMILY RECONCILIATION. {Genesis 45}**

#### **1. Joseph reveals himself to his brothers. {vs.1-3b}**

- What occurred with Joseph in light of hearing Judah's admittance & passionate plea? {vs.1}
- Why did Joseph make everyone leave the room except his brothers?
- How did Joseph's emotional overload manifest itself? {vs.2}
- What 2 things did Joseph then do for the first time? {vs. 3a}
- What is Joseph's immediate concern? {vs. 3b}
- Did Joseph pass the test of forgiveness, love, mercy, and grace?

#### **2. Joseph's brothers' reaction to his self-disclosure. {vs. 3c} Why was this the reaction?**

#### **3. Joseph's request and divine perspective on his many trials & sufferings. {vs. 4-8}**

- What did Joseph ask of his brothers? {vs. 4a}
- What does Joseph say to confirm his true identity to his brothers? {vs. 4b}
- How & why does Joseph show grace to his brothers? {vs. 5}
- What was Joseph's concern? {vs. 6}
- What does Joseph affirm again which expresses his trust in God's providence and direction? {vs. 7}
- What does Joseph affirm for a 3<sup>rd</sup> time and what was the reason for Joseph's promotions? {vs.8}
- How do we balance God's sovereign providence & human responsibility in regards to ....