

## *Joseph's Brothers Return with Benjamin*

### **Genesis 43:1-34**

#### Main Point:

Despite what sins you are struggling with, know that God can change you.

1. God can change you like Judah.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. God can change you like Jacob.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. God can change you like Joseph's brothers.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. God uses outward pressures and His love to bring about this change in you.

## Cross-References and Quotations

**Psalm 93:3-4**<sup>3</sup> The floods have lifted up, O LORD, The floods have lifted up their voice; The floods lift up their waves. [But]<sup>4</sup> The LORD on high *is* mightier Than the noise of many waters, *Than* the mighty waves of the sea. (NKJV)

**J.G. Vos**, “[These words are] not to be regarded as a grumbling complaint nor as an expression of doubt, but rather as an act of humble submission to the will of God in true faith.”

**Romans 5:3-4**<sup>3</sup> And not only *that*, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance;<sup>4</sup> and perseverance, character; and character, hope. (NKJV)

**Romans 2:4**<sup>4</sup> Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? (NKJV)

**Romans 5:8**<sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (NKJV)

**Titus 2:14**<sup>14</sup> who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works. (NKJV)