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Their faith persevered to the end, and that they died in faith... These men had that kind of faith, and you should too.

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Genesis 39:1-12

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Not only is Joseph an example of one who died in the faith, his life is a wonderful example of what it means to live in the faith.

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Could remembering God's omnipresence in times of temptation help you not to sin?

"How could I do such a great evil and sin against God?"

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Joseph removed himself from the temptation as fast as he could.

1. He immediately acknowledged that the behavior would be sin.
2. He acknowledged that God would was present.
3. He quickly removed himself from the temptation.

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Hebrews 11:1-2

“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.”

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Genesis 49:9-10

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Revelation 5:1-5

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Genesis 37:5-8

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Genesis 50:22-26

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Series: Hebrews

Sermon: Hebrews 11:21-22

1. Compare Genesis 39:7-10 to 2 Samuel 11:2-5.

A. Compare the difference in Joseph and David when they were faced with a similar temptation.

B. What lessons from these two men can be applied to our lives when we are faced with temptations.

**2. Joseph was hated by his brothers, almost murdered, sold into slavery in a foreign land, wrongfully accused, and wrongfully imprisoned. For many this would be the perfect recipe to become bitter and angry. Does he? _____
Read Genesis 50:19-21.**

A. Discuss his reply to his brothers in v. 20.

B. How could the theological truths of this passage be applied to our own lives as well? See also Romans 8:28.

3. Like Joseph, Job goes through a lot of difficulty, pain, suffering, and loss of family.

A. Does Job seem to handle it as well as Joseph? Read Job 7:11-21

B. Does Job seem to arrive at the same level of trust in God as Joseph? Read Job 42:1-6

4. God is sovereign over all his creation. What examples of His sovereignty could be shown in the life of Joseph?

5. Read Genesis 50:22-26.

A. What was significant about Joseph's instructions for his body?

B. Why would this episode of Joseph's death be important to the audience of the author of Hebrews? See Hebrews 11:22. Why would this be important for us?
