

### The Heart of the Matter

13. When are you tempted to be jealous like Joseph's brothers were over him?

14. What have you done when you were betrayed by someone close to you as Joseph was by his brothers?

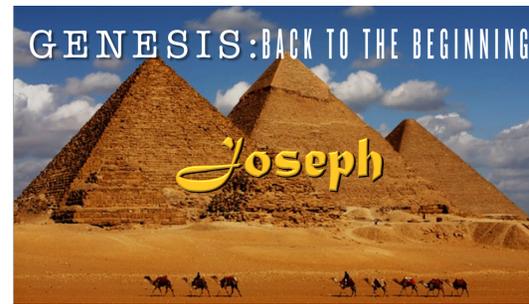
15. This account is full of loss and regrets. What is your deepest regret in life? How can we move past these things in Christ?

16. Joseph's brothers literally sold him down the Nile River. Who have you sold down the river and what steps do you need to take to make things right?

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## Life Group Study Guide

### You Are Your Brother's Keeper - Part 2 Genesis 37:1-36 For the Week of August 5, 2018

#### Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. Who was the baby in your family? How was that person treated by everyone else in your family?
3. If Joseph were your brother how would you have responded to him?

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### **Digging Deeper**

4. What do you think all the principle characters in this chapter are thinking and feeling? Joseph? Reuben? Judah? Jacob?

5. What are some of the ironies you can find in this chapter?

6. Why do you think God gave these dreams to Joseph in the first place?

7. How should have the brothers responded to Joseph and his dreams?

8. What do you think is ultimately behind the 10 brothers' desire to kill Joseph?

9. Why do you think Reuben was so committed to rescuing Joseph?

10. What is God up to in all of this?

11. What is the past relationship that Israel (Jacob) has with the Ishmaelites (Midianites) to whom his sons sold their brother Joseph?

12. Why is Jacob so exceptionally broken-hearted over the presumed loss of his son Joseph?