

# FBC Groups Ministry Discussion Guide

## From the Joseph in the Waiting Sermon Series

### Our Text for the Week of 8.9: Genesis 42

#### Sweeter than Revenge

The life of Joseph is one of many fascinating stories in the book of Genesis, beginning in chapter 37 with Joseph, his 11 brothers and their father Jacob. In chapter 42, Joseph had a perfect opportunity to seek revenge against his brothers. This was over 21 years in the waiting, but we will see a much different dynamic leading to an experience that was sweeter than revenge. Read Genesis 42...

#### **Sacrifice for Something Sweeter than Revenge:**

When you give your emotions to God

When you give your plans to God

When you give your results to God

#### **Questions for Group Discussion:**

1. What comes to mind when you say the word, "revenge"?
2. What are the emotions that drive your desire for revenge?
3. What does it mean when God says that all vengeance is His?
4. How does the good news of Jesus factor into that?
5. If you were Joseph, how would you have reacted upon seeing the brothers?
6. Would the brothers think this was Joseph getting even after all those years?
7. Do you have a hope or dream that you are still waiting to be fulfilled?
8. Is there any unresolved revenge from which you need to repent?

#### **Final Thoughts and Closing Prayer:**

What will I do to be more aware of God with me this week?

How will I live differently because of this study?

#### **Notes & Reflections:**