

LOVED WHAT YOU HEARD ON SUNDAY? WANT TO GO DEEPER? THE LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE WILL HELP YOU UNPACK WHAT YOU HEARD ON SUNDAY WHILE DIVING DEEPER INTO GOD'S WORD.

Life Group Study Guide

1. Who has a legacy that you admire or aspire to? What is it about that person's legacy that is so inspiring to you?
2. If you could choose one word that people would use to describe you what would it be and why?
3. What insight, observation, or principle from this weekend's message did you find most helpful, insightful, or troubling? Explain.
4. Jesus was constantly in the midst of people's lives. We often find him in someone's home, eating, drinking, healing, and teaching. Some of Jesus' greatest teachings come while he is seated at a table, sharing a meal with others. Read the following passage and jot down any insights or questions you may have. Mark 14: 3-9.
 - Who are the people present in this story?
 - What was the significance of the woman's act? (verse 8)

- What was the response of those in the room? (See John 12:4-6 to find out who exactly said what)
- What does Jesus say about her act? What does this mean for her legacy?
- How does this section of scripture affect the way you think about your legacy? What does this scripture tell us is truly important?

Digging Deeper

1. What would your legacy be right now? How do you feel about that? Are there any changes you need to make in your life to change the way you will be remembered?
2. On Sunday Jason laid out a plan for how to leave a legacy worth remembering. The first step in that plan was to choose to be a blessing over being bitter. What things in your life are currently causing you bitterness? What steps do you need to take to choose to be a blessing?

LIFE'S TOUGH QUESTIONS: THE STORY OF JOSEPH

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“HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?”

Ecclesiastes 9:12 (NLT)

“No one knows when their hour will come...”

A LIFE LIVED WITH GOD LEAVES A LEGACY THAT WILL BE REMEMBERED.

Genesis 46:29-30 (ESV) *Then Joseph prepared his chariot and went up to meet Israel his father in Goshen. He presented himself to him and fell on his neck and wept on his neck a good while. ³⁰ Israel said to Joseph, “Now let me die, since I have seen your face and know that you are still alive.”*

HOW TO LEAVE A LEGACY WORTH REMEMBERING:

Genesis 50:15-21 (ESV) *When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.” ¹⁶ So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this command before he died: ¹⁷ ‘Say to Joseph, “Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.”’ And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰ As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹ So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.*

1. CHOOSE TO BE A BLESSING OVER BITTER.

Genesis 50:22-26 (ESV) *So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father’s house. Joseph lived 110 years. ²³ And Joseph saw Ephraim’s children of the third generation. The children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were counted as Joseph’s own. ²⁴ And Joseph said to his brothers, “I am about to die, but God will visit you and bring you up out of this land to the land that he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.” ²⁵ Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying, “God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here.” ²⁶ So Joseph died, being 110 years old. They embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.*

2. LOOK TO GOD’S PROMISES.

Hebrews 11:22 (ESV) *By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.*

3. LIVE IN FAITH TODAY. IT WILL AFFECT THE FAITH OF THOSE TOMORROW.

Joshua 24:23 *As for the bones of Joseph, which the people of Israel brought up from Egypt, they buried them at Shechem, in the piece of land that Jacob bought from the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for a hundred pieces of money. It became an inheritance of the descendants of Joseph.*