

Family Worship
Week of September 8, 2024

Instruction: Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

Sermon Meditations: Repentance unto Life

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 42:1-17; Revelation 22:17
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's first point was "A Matter of Life and Death". In verse 2 Jacob tells us that the famine is a matter of life and death. We are born into a famine of righteousness, and it is a matter of life and death. Where can we go to find righteousness? What does it cost us? What did it cost Jesus?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 42:18-28
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's second point was "The Compassion of God". In Joseph we see an example – a foreshadowing or type – of Jesus. He was betrayed and is now able to save. See in verse 24 how compassionate he is toward them! Jesus was betrayed (and is continually betrayed by our sin) but he loves us and is compassionate toward us! This is a comfort to us and a reason to praise God and give thanks to him!
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 42:29-38; Acts 2:37-39
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's third point was "Repentance unto Life". The brothers sinned against Joseph and even now, 20 years later, it is pricking their conscience. They recognize they have sinned and the justice of God in condemning them. But God has other plans! Their repentance will lead to life. Are we repenting of our sins? Do we know our guilt? Do we know God is just in condemning us? This life is a matter of life and death, and repentance is the only way to eternal life. Thanks be to God he has made a way!
- Close in prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 43:1-34
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important? What encouragement does vs. 23 give us?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 43:1-34
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer