

**Family Worship**  
Week of October 27, 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: A Transaction for Life**

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 47:13-31, John 6:35-40
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's first point was "Give us bread that we may not die". The famine was severe in Egypt and Canaan. Everyone was languishing under the curse of the famine. Egypt uses all their resources to find relief. As a last measure with empty hands, they offer themselves to Pharaoh's service. If they wanted bread and relief, Joseph was the only means by which they would be saved. How does this teach us about coming to Christ for life? How does Jesus receive those who come with empty hands asking for the bread of life?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 47:13-31
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's second point was "The generosity of God". Egypt received from Joseph seed for grain. They got the provision and relief they were looking for. Though this relief is temporal, it teaches us of spiritual things. The Egyptians loved Joseph for his generosity and remarked, "You have saved us." While experiencing the same famine the description of Israel's experience is gaining possession and being fruitful and multiplying. How is a picture and example for God's church in the world that is under the curse of sin?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 47:13-31
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "What is our only hope in life or in death"? Egypt has their eyes on preserving their life on this earth. Jacob has his eyes past the grave. How does Jacob's request of Joseph reveal the hope of his faith? What is the hope we have in life and in death?
- Close in prayer

**Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word**

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 48:1-22
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 48:1-22
- 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