

# *Forgiveness: Release. Reset. Renew*

Genesis 37-50

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The story of Joseph and his brothers covers the final 14 chapters of the book of Genesis. It is a story of betrayal and redemption, faithfulness and blessing, forgiveness and restoration.

## **Characteristics of the forgiver – Joseph**

Trusting God's ways. (Prov. 3:5-6, Isaiah 55: 8-9)

Trusting God's plans. (Matt. 16:24-25, 1 Peter 4:12-13)

Trusting God's judgment. (Psalm 75:2-7)

Trusting God's promises.

**Being unforgiven is a great weight.** (Genesis 42:21-22)

**Forgiveness restores . . .**

Relationships. (Joseph and his family)

Trust. (Joseph with his brothers)

Hope. (Jacob and his sons)