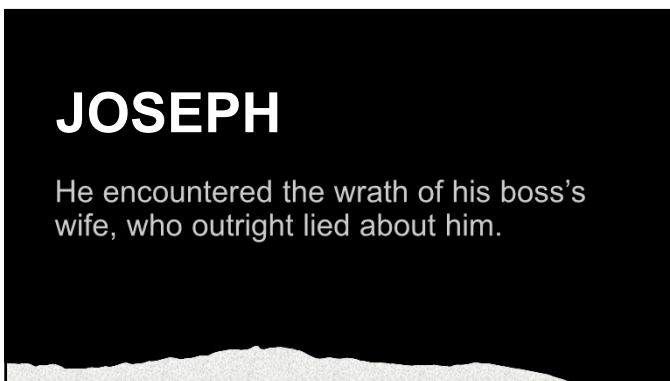




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JOSEPH

He had served God faithfully,
and his whole world had fallen apart.

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Forgiveness is NOT

1. Forgiveness does not mean APPROVAL of what the person did.

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Forgiveness is NOT

2. Forgiveness does not mean we are EXCUSING what the person did.

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Forgiveness is NOT

3. Forgiveness does not mean that we PARDON them.

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Forgiveness is NOT

4. Forgiveness does not necessarily mean RECONCILIATION.

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Forgiveness is NOT

5. Forgiveness does not necessarily mean FORGETTING.

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How did Joseph model
TOTAL FORGIVENESS?
(Genesis 45)

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JOSEPH (Genesis 45)

1. He did not want others to
know about the past incident.

v.1 "get everybody else out of the room"

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JOSEPH (Genesis 45)

2. He did not want his brothers
to be afraid of him.

vv. 2-3

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JOSEPH (Genesis 45)

3. He wanted his brothers to forgive themselves and not feel guilty.

vv. 4-5 "do not feel distressed"

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JOSEPH (Genesis 45)

4. Joseph lets them save face.

vv. 7-8

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JOSEPH (Genesis 45)

5. Joseph protected his brothers from their greatest fear.

vv. 9-13

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JOSEPH (Genesis 45)

6. For Joseph, forgiveness was a lifelong commitment.

Genesis 50:20
