

**Genesis 50:15-26**

**Blind Brothers**

<sup>15</sup> 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."

<sup>16</sup> So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died:

<sup>17</sup> '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.

<sup>18</sup> His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants."

<sup>17</sup> '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. <sup>1</sup>

**Blinded by Unforgiveness**

<sup>10</sup> For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death. – **2 Corinthians 7:10**

**Joseph's Response**

<sup>19</sup> But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God?"

<sup>20</sup> 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.

## **Sovereignty**

“The poison Satan produces, God turns into medicine for his elect” – **John Calvin**.

## **Joseph's Response**

<sup>21</sup> So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

– **Romans 12:21**

## **Joseph's End**

<sup>22</sup> So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father's house. Joseph lived 110 years. <sup>23</sup> 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.

<sup>24</sup> 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.”

<sup>25</sup> Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying, “God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here.” <sup>26</sup> So Joseph died, being 110 years old. They embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.