

pause

learning to wait on God

Joseph

The story of Joseph is filled with tatters and frayed ends that may appear to be a life unraveling. But God orchestrated his circumstances so that Joseph could say God had, indeed, woven a masterpiece of good. It's usually only through hindsight that we can see how He's been at work all along and can have the same confidence that God is at work in every situation we face.

1. The psalmist writes in Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God." During these times of waiting for the pandemic to end, what are some practical ways I can 'Be still' while 'waiting on God' to provide?
2. Joseph experienced harsh treatment from his brothers, yet he was not bitter toward them; and even stated, "God meant it for good." What are three things God might want me to learn when life doesn't seem to be fair?
3. Jesus did not seek to please himself but to please the One who sent him, John 5:30. While my life is put on 'pause' what are some different ways I can be more pleasing to God? What platform has God given you to make His message known? How are you accomplishing this?
4. Jeff made the point that even when God's voice seems faint and His presence seems distant, we are to live faithful lives. In the past six weeks, have I become more or less faithful in my devotion to God? What changes do I need to make in the next six weeks?
5. When life is running smoothly and according to our plans and schedules, we tend to lose sight of God's plans and purposes. During these challenging times, has that happened to me; and if so, how can I become more aware of God's purposes for my life?
6. How does God's continued presence with Joseph give you hope as you face uncertain days ahead?