Genesis: Weekly Devotionals - December 14

OPEN with prayer.

Find a quiet place where you can slow down. Invite God to speak through His Word and to show you what it means that He is faithful in both hardship and blessing.

After years of betrayal, slavery, false accusation, and waiting, Joseph's life shifts dramatically in Genesis 41–47. God gives him the ability to interpret Pharaoh's dreams, elevates him to a position of authority, and uses him to preserve countless lives—including those of the very family who once harmed him.

READ Genesis 41:14-16, 25-40.

Joseph stands before Pharaoh, offering insight only God can provide.

- How does Joseph model humility and confidence in God in moments of opportunity?
- Have you ever been placed in a position where God opened a door you could never have opened on your own? What was that experience like?

READ Genesis 41:46-57.

Joseph leads Egypt through years of plenty and prepares for famine.

- What aspects of Joseph's leadership—wisdom, planning, compassion—do you see reflected here and how do they point to reliance on God rather than on himself?
- What "seasons of plenty" has God given you, and how can you steward them faithfully?

READ Genesis 45:1-8.

Joseph reveals his identity to his brothers with a surprising perspective.

- How does Joseph interpret his own story through the lens of God's sovereignty and redemption?
- Where might God be inviting you to see Him working beneath the surface of your own story? Are you being prompted toward forgiveness, patience, or reconciliation?

REFLECT

Joseph remained faithful in the pit and the palace. His character held steady whether he lost everything or gained everything.

- What blessings in your life invite gratitude, humility, or stewardship?
- How do you stay rooted in God when life becomes fruitful or successful?
- What part of Joseph's example challenges you today—his forgiveness, his perspective, his leadership, or his trust in God? Explain.