

LESSON 53

JOSEPH'S BROTHERS VISIT EGYPT

Genesis 42:1-45:28



A Time for **Assembly**: *Introduction* to gather together through ice breaker (10 minutes)

For Starting Communication:

Share briefly a negative attitude you harbored in your heart that God had transformed.



A Time for **Adoration**: *Inspiration* to worship God through invocation, thanksgiving, and reading the Scripture (25 minutes)

Suggested Songs:

We are Your Church, by Sharon Damazio

Your Grace Still Amazes Me, by Connie Harrington and Shawn Craig

Scripture Reading: Genesis 42:1–45:28



A Time for **Admonition**: *Instruction* to communicate one's investigation of the story (content), interpretation based on the setting (context), and integration of the two for the spiritual truth (concept) (50 minutes)

1. What did Joseph realize when he met his brothers once again (42:9)?
2. What did the brothers of Joseph realize as they were put in prison (42:14-24)?
3. What was the next test – the last one – that Joseph brought to his brothers (43:3)? How did they measure up to this test?

4. Joseph gave special recognition (i.e., favoritism) to Benjamin. Did his brothers resent this just like how they hated Joseph for being their father's favorite (43:33-34)?
5. What did Joseph explain to his brothers to be the reason behind his rise to power in Egypt (45:4-11)?
6. How did Joseph respond to all the hardship and rise to power that God had put him through (45:12-15)?



A Time for **Accountability**: *Invitation* to apply the implication of the Scripture (connect), implementation of a specific action (conduct), and intercession for the saints/seekers (concern)
(about 35 minutes)

1. How could you use your oikos, (e.g., family, workplace, school) as a platform for sharing your faith?
2. What would you plan to do to take the initiative in seeking reconciliation with a person you have a long-standing conflict with?
3. Pray for one another in the group. Share your personal needs or concerns with your accountability and prayer partners. These may include attitudes that need to be changed and personal applications of God's Word as studied in this lesson. Pray also for others outside the group who need to hear the Gospel.