More Than A Children's Story: Joseph

This week's reading:

Discussion Guide: November 17, 2024

CHECK UP:

Memory Work: Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. - Hebrews 11:1

How were you challenged in having the faith of Abraham this past week?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Who did you B.L.E.S.S. this past week? What action steps did you take?

READ and ASK: Genesis 39:1-23

- What stands out to you most from this story?
- What were attributes in Joseph's life that made him able to resist Potiphar's wife?
- What are some subtle and blatant ways that society promotes lust (material, personal, sensual)? Why is lust such a powerful enticement?
- What most motivates you to live a holy life?

READ and APPLY: 1 Corinthians 6:18-20; Hebrews 12:1-3; Philippians 4:8; Psalm 119:9; Proverbs 4:23; Matthew 15:19

- What are the most tempting situations for you?
- How can Joseph's example help you resist temptation in general and sexual temptation in particular?
 - o How can this group help you?
- Which one of these passages most challenge/encourage you? Why?
- How could you minimize the opportunities for lust in your life?
 - o NEXT STEP: Since sin begins in the mind, what are some steps that you could take that would change your mind so as to change your behavior?

Memory Work:

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable–if anything is excellent or praiseworthy–think about such things. - Philippians 4:8

Next Week's Reading: Exodus 1-4 (Moses)