

Déjà Vu All Over Again

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WARM UP

What are you looking forward to most about summer?

COMING UP

GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR

Summer Affinity Groups Weeks of June 18–August 20. Join a group or start one of your own at GracePolaris.org/SummerGroups.

Vacation Bible School 2017 June 26–30, 9:00 a.m. VacationBible.School

Father & Child Retreat Friday–Sunday, July 28–30. FatherChildRetreat.com

WITNESS

- On your white board, list the names of people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus.
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

EXPLORE

- 1 Read Genesis 39–41:46. What ideas or concepts jumped out at you from Sunday's Bible passage and sermon?
- 2 How would you define "integrity?" Who in your life is a good example of integrity and why?
- 3 Repeatedly we see Joseph's refusal to compromise. What fuels compromise? Where might you be susceptible to compromise? What cultivates godly conviction and the strength to act on it?
- 4 What do you think was going through Joseph's mind during the 13 years he spent in slavery and in prison? What was God's perspective of those same circumstances? Share a time in your life when you have felt the despair of being forsaken, framed, or forgotten. How would you encourage someone in similar circumstances?
- 5 Everywhere Joseph went, people (Potiphar, the prison warden, Pharaoh) observed the presence and the blessing of the Lord. They saw Joseph's character, hard work, and wisdom and then gave him greater responsibility. What is universally said of you by those who know you? How can Jesus become more evident in and through your life to others?
- 6 At age 30, in one day, Joseph went from being an alien prisoner to second in command in Egypt (41:39–43). To what extent do you think the 13 years of slavery and prison helped develop the qualities necessary for handling the responsibilities of leadership? How have you experienced "painful" preparation in your life to equip you for greater service to the Lord?
- 7 **DIG DEEPER** Read Daniel 1–2. Compare and contrast the lives and character of Daniel and Joseph. What one thing from their examples would you be wise to emulate?

PRAY

Pray that you would grow in your confidence in God, your integrity, your faithfulness, and your perseverance.