

MESSAGE NOTES

FRAMED

SEEING GOD AT WORK
IN THE UNEXPECTED

What are you thinking?

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Genesis 42-45

The pictures we give of Jesus are a reflection of what we think about God.

Joe's Bros think... this must be karma
[Genesis 42:21]

VS

Joe pictures... God's Grace and Mercy [Genesis 45:1-4]

Joe's Bros think... this is God's fault [Genesis 42:28]

VS

Joe pictures... God's Sovereignty [Genesis 45:5-8]

Joe's Bros think... this is nothing that money can't buy [Genesis 43:23]

VS

Joe pictures... God as Provider [Genesis 45:9-11; 20-23]

Joe's Bros think... I thought God wanted us to be happy [Genesis 44:16]

VS

Joe pictures... God's forgiveness [Genesis 45:12-19]

the one thing:
God uses a polaroid.

Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online.

TAKING IT HOME NOTES FOR SMALL GROUP & PERSONAL STUDY

- KEEPING IT REAL**
"Circumstances don't make or break a man. They simply reveal him."
Think of your personal life and our surrounding world... Do you agree?
- LOOK AT THE BOOK**
Consider these three men and their individual stories: Saul, Solomon and Herod. What's the tie that binds them? Can you empathize with them? [1 Samuel 13:5-13; 1 Kings 11:1-13; Mark 6:14-29]
- After many difficult years in captivity, Joseph is suddenly brought before Pharaoh, and his life totally changes. How do Joseph's character traits and choices differ from the men in the question above?
- THE NEXT STEP**
Knowing God's Word, and putting it to work in our lives, helps us during tough circumstances. Over the next week, read three small sections of Psalm 119 each day. Then be like Joseph and Jesus... Go live out those words.

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize: Philipians 1:6.
- Read: *The Knowledge of the Holy* by A.W. Tozer.
- Good Friday Experience.
- Other _____.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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