

A Couple of Lessons from The Joseph Story Getting Old: Good News From The Old Testament

Based on Genesis 50:15-20

1. Practicing forgiveness brings about growth and wholeness.

Now that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers became fearful. "Now Joseph will show his anger and pay us back for all the wrong we did to him," they said. So they sent this message to Joseph: "Before your father died, he instructed us to say to you: 'Please forgive your brothers for the great wrong they did to you—for their sin in treating you so cruelly.'... When Joseph received the message, he broke down and wept. Joseph replied,... "Don't be afraid of me. Am I God, that I can punish you? You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people. No, don't be afraid. I will continue to take care of you and your children." Genesis 50:15-20

"Love prospers when a fault is forgiven, but dwelling on it separates close friends." Proverbs 17:9

"God has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins." Colossians 1:13-14

2. God can use difficult or painful circumstances to bring about a richer and more blessed life, if you allow it.

"God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. They will receive life and more life as God has promised to those who love him." James 1:12

"And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28

NEWS AND EVENTS

Father's Day Slideshow

SUBMIT PHOTOS BY JUNE 14

We're featuring all the guys in a Father's Day Slideshow! You can submit a photo (preferably a jpeg) by email to photos@goodsamlv.com.

Good Sam's Senior Ladies Lunch Bunch

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 | 11:30 AM | THE ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE

Meet for lunch at The Original Pancake House (4170 S. Fort Apache Rd.) RSVP to Deede McLaughlin at 702.882.9691 by Monday, June 12.

Men's Breakfast

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 | 10:00 AM | IKEA

Meet with other men from Good Sam for fellowship and food at IKEA every 2nd Wednesday. Email Pastor Scott at shove@goodsamlv.com for more information.

Honor Thy Father Blood Drive

SUNDAY, JUNE 18 | 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | WINDMILL CAMPUS

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. The entire process is very safe and very fast, and you will feel amazing knowing you potentially saved up to three people. Schedule your appointment at goodsamlv.com.

Wednesday Worship

BEGINNING WED., JUNE 21 @ 6:15P | DINNER @ 5:30P | LAKES CAMPUS

Bring your family for energetic and upbeat worship with our praise band, get into God's word together, and gather for some good news and prayer in the middle of your week! We look forward to meeting new friends and seeing your faces Wednesday evening at the Lakes campus for Good Sam's Worship on Wednesdays, beginning June 21st! Dinner at 5:30 and worship at 6:15.

Spiritual Practices Workshop

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 | 9:30 - 11:30 AM | LAKES CAMPUS

Gather with us as we refresh our faith lives with new ways to pray, to hear God's Word, and to meet the Holy Spirit in our lives! Pastor Jason Adams and Ken Larson will lead us as we sample practices from across Christian traditions and history.

Senior Ministry Hiking Group

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 | 8:00AM | CATHEDRAL ROCK @ MT. CHARLESTON

Meet at cathedral rock picnic area at 8am. Contact Lisa Carson at 702-592-5750 or lisacarson@msn.com to arrange carpool. 2.5 to 3 hour hike

Good Sam Baseball Night @ LV Aviators!

FRIDAY, JULY 14 | 7:00PM | LAS VEGAS BALLPARK

We're heading out to the ballgame for peanuts and cracker jacks! Good Sam has a block of tickets for the LV Aviators vs Reno Aces! For more information and to buy your tickets visit goodsamlv.com.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Grief-Loss of Loved One(s)

B. J. Willeford and family at the passing of his father; The family and friends of Lisa Gilbert; Nick Benniger and family at the passing of his grandmother, Donna

Health – Cancer

Dr. Mark Wickstrom - completed five rounds of chemo; Matt - brain tumors and leukemia and pray for his fiancée, Jeanette, too; Kris Pack - cancer/chemo; Holley M. - cancer/chemo; Kelly - cancer; Judy A. - strength for radiation and chemo; Dana Karpinski - leukemia; Lindsey Dawson Caruso - healing from complications of bone marrow transplant; Tommie Quisenberry - breast cancer and other health issues; Carol Connor - strength; Debbie Sandillo - breast cancer and upcoming surgery; Charles Perry - healing from surgery; Brandon - pancreatic cancer, also for his family; Karen - cancer; Rachel Starbird - my uncle Jeff, cancer

Health – General

Norma MacAdam - healing for infection in leg; Haileigh Willeford-McGrady - healing for ovarian cysts; Rachel - upcoming knee surgery, general health; Sandy G. - good test results; Paula H. - healing after surgery; Gary Koon - open heart surgery; Derrell Koon - chest pain and breathing difficulty; Rachel - debilitating bipolar disorder and has been hospitalized; Ammon - ALS; Sarah Doan Peace - continued peace, clarity and healing, ovarian cysts; Linda J. - healing from prescription side effects; J. - dental issues/healing; Jack and Andrea McDonald - recovering from car accident; Myron - suffering from heart issues; Carolyn Small - recovery from eye surgery, dealing with pain; Sarah Small - health issues; Luella - pain, answers; Mary - several major health problems; Warren Waage - healing from stroke; Jerry Connor - health and healing; Andrew Z. - recovery from coma; Mike English - health; Lynda Bennes' sister, Donna - dying, on life support; Christina - healing and strength; Brian Carlin - improved health; Sherry O'Rourke - continued healing; Shane, Judy, Chad and Maria - healing and strength; Keith - strength and healing; Jason Brasier - health and healing, good biopsy results; Jack MacManus - health; Dave & Jan Larson - continued strength; Jerry and Karen Petts - strength; Rosie O'Brien - strength and healing; Barbara Fanslow - strength and healing; Doug and Pam Cornford - healing; Dorothy M. - health; Carol White - health; Carol and Bob Van Der Linda - health and strength; Jennie Long - kidney transplant; Tommie Roach - health; Rachel Starbird - My grandma, Shirley recovering from brain surgery; Ryan Zuch - healing; Phyllis Johns - Healing from bad fall; Prayers for Marianne and all of her medical problems that she is going through right now
Miles

General Request(s)

Hope Gage – safe travels driving to OK to pick up their son; Suzanne's teenager - patience, academics, personal confidence; Indie's father, Algernon; Corrina Ortega; NJ - clarity, finances, finding God again; Des - on deployment, pray for safety and health; Lynn S. - health, healing and safe travels; Aly - safe travels

Spiritual/Emotional/etc

Tracey T. and family - physical and spiritual healing, peace and pray for a hedge of protection around them; Ingrid - peace; F.J. - mental health guidance, direction; Melinda and Alex - peace and strength; Davey C. - get off drugs; Ed and Sandy - strength and love; Alyssa - peace and faith; Karen, Shannon - peace and strength; Jay - severe depression; Milt - peace and comfort; Karen - strength, faith and hope; Danny - addictions; Bobby and Kelly - salvation

Thanks and praise

Praise and thanks to God for Lynn's healing from major surgery; Pam Long - Praise, cancer free; Lynda Bennes - Thanks to God, Mike got a job; Brad - Thanks and praise for God's guiding hand, quick healing and continued blessings as he recovers