

Week 2: Reflecting on this Last Season

Intro Question (15 min)

1. How have you seen God move so far in 2021?
 - a. Sharing testimonies helps us see what God is doing in and around us, and stirs us to keep believing that he is present even in those places where it's hard to believe that.

Small Groups (75 mins)

1. The remainder of our time this week will be in reflecting on this last season in our small groups. This is a chance for us to share about the highs and the lows, draw near to each other, and grow in learning how to receive and support each other. This is not the time to try and solve each other's issues; instead, focus on listening well and entering in to hold each other's pain.
2. In order to make sure everyone gets the chance to share, you might divide up the time evenly between each person, while reserving 2 minutes to pray for each person after they've shared.
3. Reflection Questions:
 - a. What has this last season been like for you?
 - b. What were the best parts?
 - c. What were the worst parts?
 - d. Were there any ways you resonated with Joseph's story as you listened to it last week?
4. Pray for each person after they've shared. You might wait on God to see if he has any encouragement or prophetic words.

Weekly Exercise

1. Listen to the second half of Joseph's story (Genesis 44-50).
2. After listening to his story, what do you learn about God's heart for us even through hard seasons?

3. As you think about some of the hard moments you experienced in this last year, ask God what he might want to say to you about them?
4. What is God's truth for you through Joseph's story about pain and disappointment?