

**Genesis 39 for Growth Groups:** for wk comm 14/10/24.

*Warm up:* Who would you give your mobile phone to, with the passcode?  
Who would you not? Why?

We return from Judah back to Joseph. Things for Joseph seem to go from bad to worse.

**Pray and Read Genesis 39:1-23**

1. First reactions: do you like this episode or not? Why?
2. Context question. Judah & brothers sold him: why? Does the place Joseph ends up seem positive or negative: why?
3. Of those who are named in vv2-6, who is doing what? are we told why?
4. From what happens to Joseph in vv6-11, what do learn is most important to him? how does he show this in practice?
5. How would you describe his “reward for faithfulness” in vv11-20?
6. What is different in vv20-23 and what the same, when compared with vv2-6?
7. How much do people entrust to Joseph in this chapter? Where do they do this? Why do they entrust what they do to him?
8. Joseph is like a forerunner to Jesus. What are we given about Jesus to help us entrust ourselves to him?
9. What parts of life might even Christians hold back from Jesus?

**Pray**

- That we’ll entrust all of our life to Jesus, including our sins that he forgives, our fears that he meets, our precious things that he can be trusted with – even our family members who are yet to believe.