

5. If God is sovereign over all my actions, why should I care about my conduct? Defend your answer.

6. Will God bring redemption out of every wrong action? Explain.



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Simeon's Journal

Genesis 29-50

Some preliminary notes:

- We will be moving through the narrative of Genesis 29-50 in a character-based fashion. There will be references on the screens to help us see where we are in the biblical text.
- The dates presented are approximations. Scripture is always true and trustworthy, but it seldom gives calendar years. Different scholars give different dates; these seem to be safe assumptions. For simplicity's sake, the B.C./A.D. system is used.
- These Hebrew month names likely weren't used in the days of Genesis, but Pastor Caleb deemed them fitting for our purposes. For ease of reference, those months are Nisan, Iyyar, Sivan, Tammuz, Av, Elul, Tishri, Chesvan, Kislev, Tevet, Shevat, and Adar.

PERSONAL APPLICATION

1. What event from your past do you need to "release" to God's sovereignty?

2. How has this message encouraged you as you trust God in all circumstances?

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Caleb or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.

STUDY AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

_____ from those you've _____.

MATTHEW 5.23-24

I. God shows _____ my _____.

PSALM 103.3; 1 TIMOTHY 1.15

II. God is _____ my _____.

ACTS 4.27-28; PSALM 105.17

II. God brings _____

my _____.

GENESIS 45.5-8; 1 TIMOTHY 1.16

1. Pastor Caleb pointed out that God's mercy is both "all-encompassing" and "incisive." How would you explain these descriptions and how would you defend them using Scripture?

2. Do some sins need more forgiveness than others? Defend your answer.

3. Is there any sort of biblical equivalent to "karma" (which is clearly a pagan concept)? Explain.

4. Find another biblical example of God's sovereignty over man's wrongdoing.