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**Title: A Family Restored**  
**Text: Genesis 45**

## **Introduction**

Real forgiveness and love is grounded in how you understand God.

### **I. Forgiveness and Transparency**

*Airing out what is already known*

### **II. Forgiveness and God's Plan**

*Lord of the past and present as well as the future*

### **III. Forgiveness and Ongoing Life**

*Undeserved blessing*

“...this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men...” (Acts 2:23)

## **Conclusion**

- Why is forgiveness hard to receive? Why would we rather hide?
- What is God's plan for you, and how does that relate to how you forgive?
- Has God worked everything in your past for good? If so, in what way?
- Do you think that God loves some people more? Would that be ok, or not?