**Running With the Giants: Joseph**

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Below are study questions that will help you and your Life Group dig deeper into this weekend’s sermon. Feel free to only use those which best fit your group’s allotted time.

**Scripture Reflection:** Read **Gen 3:17-18 (NIV) & James 1:2-4 (NIV).** Spend a few minutes reflecting on the passages, and then ask the group to share what stands out.

**Application Questions:**

1. In looking at **Gen 2:15**, Ralph said, *“Work was part of God’s original design for humanity.”*
	1. Share a brief, 1 or 2-minute, summary of your work journey (first job to now).
	2. How does knowing that work was given before sin ever happened, impact your thinking about your work?
2. In looking at the change in Joseph after 13 years of his work life in Egypt, Ralph shared, *“God uses our work to ‘grow’ us.”*
	1. What are, or have been, your greatest challenges at work? How has God used those challenges to grow your character or form Christ in you?
3. In discussing the favor Joseph received by Potiphar, the jailer, and Pharoah, Ralph said, *“In our work, favor follows faithfulness.”*
	1. What makes remaining faithful at your work challenging? Share an example of God blessing your faithfulness at work with favor?
	2. How would you like to grow in being more “faithful” – or working more “whole-heartedly” – at work (**Col 3:23**)?
4. In seeing how God used Joseph to save his family by providing food for them as well as Egypt and others, Ralph said, *“God works from heaven, through our work on earth”.*
	1. How has God used you at work for His purposes and glory? If you have missed opportunities, how might you grow in being more available to be used by Him?

**Closing & Prayer**: [set aside sufficient time for prayer]

* Pray for the personal prayer request(s) of those in your group
* Pray that those at CA would do their work as unto the Lord for His glory
* Pray that God would continue to bless and grow our “in person” attendance in 2023