

## Joseph: Refuse to Get Even Genesis 42-50

Forgiveness and reconciliation are possible because of God's power. Joseph knew that he could forgive his brothers, because God was loving and powerful. In Him there are no hopeless relationships or unforgivable sins.

**God's power makes reconciliation possible.**

**1. Joseph trusts God's plan (45:4-9; 50:19-20).**

Romans 8:38-39

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**2. Joseph trusts God's justice (50:19).**

Romans 12:19

Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord.

**3. Joseph seeks reconciliation (42-45).**

Romans 5:10

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

- If you have been wronged, pray and seek reconciliation.
- If you have wronged somebody, admit your sin and seek forgiveness.