

BRAVE

PART 1: THE DIVIDE

Life often appears to be going well, but beneath the surface, a divide has formed, separating relationships and causing significant tension. Will you face it or avoid it?

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SCRIPTURE

MAIN TEXT: [GENESIS 37:1-18](#)

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THINK

- Consider the different circles of relationships: Strangers, Acquaintances, Friends, and Family. How have your relationships shifted across these circles? What challenges have you encountered?
- The term "brave" refers to having or showing courage, which is the mental or moral strength to confront danger, fear, or difficulty. What makes it challenging to be "brave" when facing relational tension?
- Read [Genesis 37:3-4](#) → Jacob, Joseph, and the other brothers all shared the responsibility for the dysfunctional situation they created. What do they each own, and what could they have done differently?

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ENGAGE

- **The Divide** occurs when unresolved tension and hurt persist. What divisions exist in your relationship circle right now? Choose to be brave and bridge the divide.
- In the message, Chris shared that "**Family Secrets are not Secret.**" How have you experienced this reality within your family circle?
- **READ THE ROOM + OWN YOUR OWN MESS:**
Reflect on a current relational divide in your life. Clearly identify your role in contributing to this divide.

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PRAY

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