

BRAVE

PART 2: BETRAYAL

When someone close to you betrays you, trust is completely obliterated. How you choose to respond and navigate the pain is what you must own.

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SCRIPTURE

MAIN TEXT: [GENESIS 37:18-36; 39:1-2](#)

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THINK

- Consider your family—both immediate and extended—as well as your friends—close and extended. Reflect on the relational dynamics and proximity of these individuals in your life. Keep in mind: *"The closer the relationship, the deeper the hurt. The deeper the hurt, the greater the urge to retaliate."*
- READ [GENESIS 37:22-23](#) → Have you ever felt betrayed and thrown into a cistern? Joseph was profoundly betrayed by his brothers. The first step we must take when someone betrays us is to "Go to God!" What makes taking this critical first step so challenging?
- When you **forgive** someone, it means you're choosing to **give** them something they don't deserve and can't earn. Why is forgiving someone so tricky at times? How have you experienced God's forgiveness in your life?

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ENGAGE

- [PSALM 55:12-17](#) → David expresses feelings that resonate with our experiences of betrayal from close friends or family. Remember that when you call out to God, He hears you.
- Commit to memorizing [GENESIS 50:20](#) this week. Embed these words into your heart and soul. Embrace the hope that arises when you trust that God works for the good!

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PRAY

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