

KEEPING THE FAITH WHEN YOU LOSE YOUR DREAMS:

Joseph's Story "Putting Together What's Broken" Genesis 42-45

GOD CALLS US TO RESTORE BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS. PUTTING TOGETHER A BROKEN RELATIONSHIP IS WHAT THE BIBLE CALLS RECONCILIATION.

Reconciliation is God's work toward us in Christ.

I. RECONCILIATION REQUIRES A FOUNDATION.

The cause for the separation must be surfaced and dealt with.

II. RECONCILIATION DEMANDS FORGIVENESS.

Forgiveness is a choice.

Forgiveness doesn't guarantee reconciliation but it does promise your freedom.

III. RECONCILIATION RELEASES FEELINGS.

Feelings are part of God's image in you.

IV. RECONCILIATION PRODUCES FRUIT.

The good outcome of restoring a relationship includes:

1. Communication
2. Hope
3. Generosity
4. Peace

Reconciliation may be God's gateway to realizing your lost dreams.

Pray for God to prepare the time for reconciliation.

When it comes, boldly take the step and remember the Cross.