

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS  
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1. Prior to Group: Go to [www.bethel-church/unleashed](http://www.bethel-church/unleashed) week 5 and click on the small group resources to complete the Lifeline exercise.
  - Take about 7 minutes to list the top 10 high points and top 10 hard times in your life.
  - Circle the 10 that were most significant in your life and place them on the Lifeline in chronological order.
2. Mixer: Share one of your defining life moments.
3. Read Genesis 45:1-15 and 50:15-21. Discuss the following:
  - a. List a few of Joseph's defining moments (highs and lows).
  - b. How did God redeem Joseph's struggles?
  - c. How do we know that Joseph saw God's sovereignty in all aspects of his life?
  - d. What impresses you most about Joseph?
4. According to the following verses, how does God redeem our struggles/sufferings?
5. Share your Lifeline with one another. Ask one another 1-2 questions about their story from this list:
  - a. How was God working through each of those moments?
  - b. Are there any parts of your story that you need to "own"? How can we support you?
  - c. How have these moments shaped and helped you grow in Jesus?
  - d. How does seeing your story in light of God's story help you live differently today?
  - e. As you reflect on your past, are there ways you should be living differently?
  - f. How are your past experiences shaping you to be unleashed now?
6. Pray that God would help you "own" your entire story. Pray that He will show you how to live "unleashed" in your new story.

**"YOUR NEW NARRATIVE"**  
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1. \_\_\_\_\_ your story  
Gen 45:1-4  
Jn 4:16-18  
Jn 21:18-22  
1 Cor 7:17-19
2. See your story in light of \_\_\_\_\_ story  
Gen 45:5-8  
Gen 37:5  
Gen 39:2-3  
Gen 39:21,23  
Gen 41:37-40  
Gen 45:9-15  
Phil 3:12-16
3. \_\_\_\_\_ in your new story  
Gen 37:4  
Gen 45:15  
Gen 50:15-21