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The Changed Heart Test

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1. We know that Joseph's brothers had vivid memories of their past wrongs against him. How might this have affected their lives and relationships in the 20 years between when they sold him and met him again?
2. Do you think the fact that the brothers kept this horrible act a secret from their father made the situation worse or better?
3. Joseph put his brothers through a series of tests to determine if they had changed. Do you think this was fair and appropriate for him to do? Why or why not?
4. The Bible says that God examines our hearts. How do you think God does this? What tests does God give us and what is the desired outcome?
5. The Bible also says that God disciplines His children who He loves. What can that discipline look like today?
6. On a scale of 1-10 with 10 being the most, how much would you say reminders of your past wrongs are a challenge for you?
7. Adam said there is a difference between God's discipline and feeling condemnation in the form of guilt and shame. Why is condemnation not something believers need to experience?
8. What are some truths that can help us get past the past and experience the peace that God wants for us regardless of past choices we have made?
9. What is your biggest take away from this message and how will you respond to it?