Scripture: Exodus 20 – Genesis 42:25 - 43:12 Series Joseph: #11

Singing: 284:1-3 – 435:9 – 293:1-3 – 23:1, 2, 6 – 235:1-3

God's grace for you is not for sale but for receiving freely!

I. There is grace for you with God

- A. Joseph history is 'the Gospel acc to Genesis: Gen. 41:55-57
 - 1. Compare Is. 55:1-3 Jeremiah 3:12-13 Hosea 13:9; 14:1-3
 - 2. Read Jesus's heart in the Gospel stories
- B. Hard to believe: God knows and therefore spoke Is. 55:8-9!

II. But you will only value grace if you see the need for it

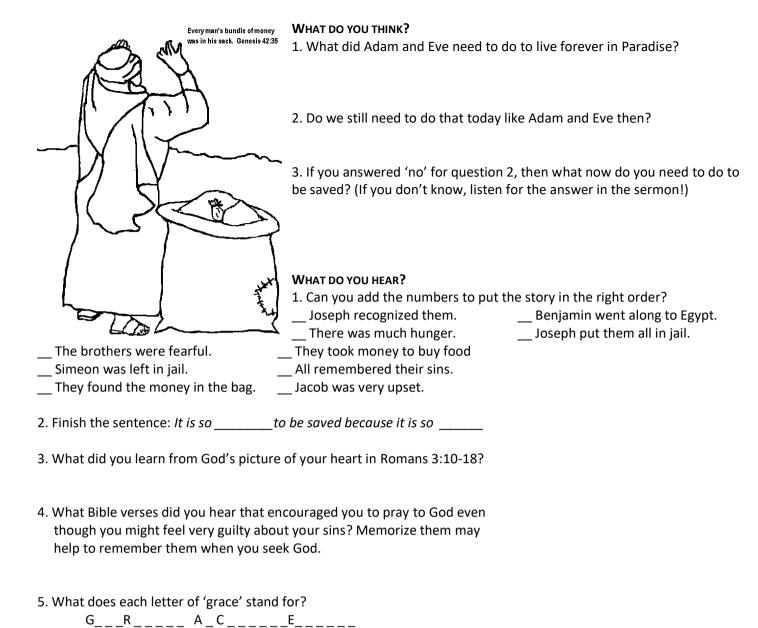
- A. Why are so many despising the 'bread of house of God' (Gen. 42:2)?
- B. Face the 'dark truth' God sees in you: Rom. 3:10-20
 - 1. Thouh you may not act it out; this reality exists within you!
 - 2. Though you can try to fix it, you are helpless to change yourself

III. Yet there is still grace, but God's grace is not for sale

A. Joseph's brothers & Jacob picture common mindset: Gen. 42:3, 43:11-12

B. Examine deeply what is your thinking when you approach Jesus?

Recapture: There is grace – It is free – You are welcome – Be true!



WHAT WILL YOU DO?

6. What can you share with your friends from this message about God? Then pray for help and share it!