



LIFELINE Discussion Guide

Week of May 19, 2025

1. Pastor Ryan showed an Action News 6 video report of a falling tree that nearly killed a woman in Kennett Square on Monday, April 6th. Incredibly, she walked away from her flattened SUV without a scratch. Have you ever been protected from harm in a memorable or remarkable way? What happened? How did you see God's fingerprints?
2. **Read Genesis 39:1-6.** How would you summarize this section of Joseph's story in your own words?
3. Life sometimes feels like a roller coaster, with the way it surges "up" and then "down". What ups and downs have been present in Joseph's life so far?
 - a. Genesis 37:3 Up or down? _____
 - b. Genesis 37:8 Up or down? _____
 - c. Genesis 37:28 Up or down? _____
 - d. Genesis 39:1-2 Up or down? _____
4. How many times is the Lord's name mentioned in verses 1-6? Why is this important to the narrative? Can you confidently say that your life is not subject to fate, chance, or luck? (see Proverbs 16:9, 20:24)
5. Read these verses aloud: Psalm 46:7; Matthew 28:19-20; Hebrews 13:5-6. Should a Christian be requesting for the Lord to "...be with me" ? Explain your answer. What could be a *better* prayer?
6. Joseph experienced incredible success and prosperity as he worked for Potiphar. Who is the ultimate source of prosperity in our lives? (see James 1:17 and Psalm 24:1) You shouldn't be boasting about your intelligence, career, money, or talents. What should you be boasting in? (see Jeremiah 9:23-24)
7. The Lord brought tremendous prosperity and blessing to Potiphar's house through Joseph. But Joseph wasn't lazy— he worked hard and his testimony shined through. What does the New Testament say about how Christians should behave at their employment? (Read Ephesians 6:5-8). How would you explain these biblical principles in your own words?
8. What does it mean to "...let your light shine before men..." (Matthew 5:16)? How can you do this in your everyday life? Give some tangible examples for your community life, work, school, family.

When God goes with you, hope is always on the horizon.