

## *Joseph Reveals His Identity*

**Genesis 45:1-15**

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### Main Point:

When people sin against you, remember God's sovereignty in your life and His forgiveness of your sins, so that you will be encouraged to forgive others and be reconciled to them.

1. God wants you to be reconciled to one another.
2. In order to be reconciled, you have to forgive each other.
3. You will be encouraged to forgive as you remember God's sovereignty in your life.
4. You will be encouraged to forgive as you remember God's forgiveness of your own sins.

## Cross-References

**Matthew 5:23-24** <sup>23</sup> "Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, <sup>24</sup> "leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. (NKJV)

**Matthew 18:15** <sup>15</sup> "Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. (NKJV)

**Matthew 18:21-22** <sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. (NKJV)

**Ephesians 4:31-32** <sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. <sup>32</sup> And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ forgave you. (NKJV)