

God of the Pit

Your life isn't defined by what's been done to you, but by how you choose to respond—especially when every instinct says to react.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Did you grow up assuming that if God is with you, things will go well for you? Or something similar?
- 2. Think about a time when things went wrong despite you doing everything "right." How did you process that tension when life is unfair?
- 3. Read Genesis 39:1-2 aloud.
 - Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there.
 - The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master.
 - What stands out to you about that phrase—"the Lord was with Joseph"—considering what he was going through?
- 4. Who do you respect most? Why? Does it have anything to do with their response to adversity? If so, what would their story be if they had reacted as expected?
- 5. When you think about "responding as if God is with you," what would have to change—in your mindset or habits—for that to become your default?
- 6. Is there an area where you are reacting as expected rather than exercising your respond-ability?