

Forgiveness, Healing, and Restoration

Genesis 44:1-45:28

[Brothers' Final Test; Judah's Speech; Reconciliation]

SERMON OUTLINE

SERMON NOTES

I. WHAT? STAND WITH THE SUFFERING OF OTHERS

- A. The brothers' **solidarity** with Benjamin (44:1-13)
- B. Judah's self-sacrificial stance, for his father and brother (44:14-34)
- C. Joseph's **forgiveness** of his brothers (45:1-8)

II. HOW? RECOGNIZING THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

- A. The brothers' and Judah's **acknowledgment** of the working of God. (44:16)
- B. Joseph's recognition of divine sovereignty (45:1-8)

III. WHY? SO THAT RESTORATION MAY OCCUR

- A. The **consequences** of the actions of the brothers, Judah, and Joseph (45:9-28).
- B. Trusting in God's providence, how forgiveness leads to the restoration of broken relationships.
