Between Sundays July 26, 2020 Proven Principles # 5 – Faith Hebrews 11:22

By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones.

How many brothers and sisters did you have growing up? Would you prefer a big family or a small one? In the birth order, where did you fit?

What are your thoughts with the following statement: "Both kinds of families have good and bad sides. In large family there are always someone to play, talk or help. ... In small family children gets more attention. Parents have less chores than in big family and they can spend more time with kids and they can go together to different places."

Here are 10 reasons people walk away from God . . .

Disgust with other believers

Disappointment with God

Difficulties in life

Distractions in their life

Discouragement

Doubt, overwhelming evidence

Desires in life

Distance, we chose to isolate from others

Drift – no paying attention

Deceit – lies from others

Rate each one of these in your own relationship with God

Joseph experienced 3 important seasons in his life.	
	Mistreated by those closes to him - betrayed
	Blamed falsely
	Overlooked, forgotten
Which of the above can you relate to in your own life?	
Which do you believe is the hardest to deal with?	

Explain how one's faith in God can help you deal with these personal experiences

How is the life of Joseph similar to the life of Jesus?

Three things were mentioned that you can to do to finish strong: [1] Keep you eyes no the prize – stay focused. [2] Remember what the prize is – "Well Done" [3] Finish strong – keep going to the finish line.

Which of these 3 do you find the hardest to do in your life?

Explain these two verses:

"Demas has forsaken me, having loved this present world" II Timothy 4:10

And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15