

For the week of April 11, 2021  
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# The Things God Uses

*Eighth week in the series: JOSEPH*  
**Genesis 42**

God is always up to something, and he's always up to something more than we know. But if we can believe that he's up to something more than we know, we can live with a sense of hopeful anticipation instead of a sense of impending doom.

## **Discussion Questions:**

1. Do you think you live more with a sense of impending doom or a sense of hopeful anticipation?
2. The narrative of Genesis 42 encourages us to believe that God uses everything (including famine, abuse, dreams, and loss) for something. How does this encourage you?
3. How do you think God has used something that you thought was bad for something good?
4. The narrative of Genesis 42, in light of the rest of the Scriptures, encourages us to believe that God is drawing everything up into final redemption—that is, the return of Christ and the new creation. How does this encourage you?