How to Have Peace at Home

Genesis 45-46

In the last message, we learned about repentance and revelation:

The repentance of Judah (who had turned from his self-serving ways in Genesis 37:23-27 to self-sacrificial concern for his father and his brother in Genesis 44:18-34)

The revelation of Joseph in Genesis 45:1-8 (and the parallel to the coming Revelation of Jesus in Zechariah 12:7)

Now, with the years of strife and hidden sin, the question is, "how can we have peace in this family?" Look at these rhythms of reconciliation, that lead to peace:

Remembering

Use your personal story about God's power and His faithfulness to His promises to motivate and encourage your family members, 9-15

("God was with me." 39:1-6, 21-23; 41:51-52)

Rejoicing

Remember that your family story is a testimony about the Lord to others, so give them a reason to rejoice in God. 16-24

Requesting

Ask the Lord for wisdom, especially in the major turning points of life. 45:25-46:1

Resting

Trust God and His Promises to you and your family, 46:2-29 (Genesis 15:1-21; 17:1-21; 22:1-18)