

Discussion Guide

A Coat of Many Colors
June 28, 2026

PART 1: RECAP. HAVE SOMEONE READ THIS OUT LOUD.

This week our sermon looks different than usual. Last week, we focused on how Joseph's greatest achievement was becoming the man God intended him to be. This week, though, we are looking at the life of Joseph told in a first-person narrative by Steve Crane. As we hear this story from Joseph's perspective, we see that we are also given an opportunity to receive an inheritance through Christ. And, like Joseph, God is asking us to be people of character.

- Do you have any clothing that is sentimental or significant to you? Something passed down, a gift, something you saved up to buy, etc...
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PART 2: HAVE SOMEONE READ GENESIS 37:1-4 OUT LOUD. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS AS A GROUP.

- From these verses, how would you describe Joseph to someone who doesn't know him?
 - Why do you think Joseph behaves the way he does? Would you want him as your brother? Why or why not?
 - What do you think about Jacob honoring Joseph above his brothers?
 - What is the ultimate significance or symbolism of the robe Jacob gave to Joseph?
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PART 3: REFLECT. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS TOGETHER.

- Have you ever experienced or witnessed the effects of favoritism in a family or workplace setting? How did it shape those relationships?
- Joseph’s character was eventually tested through great hardship. Why is it important to build a foundation of faith and integrity before life's difficult moments arrive?
- How can we be intentional about developing strong character in ourselves and those we influence?

KEY VERSE:

Genesis 37:3

Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors.

NEXT STEPS:

- I will strive to be a person of character
- I will seek to glorify God in every situation/circumstance
- I will seek God’s approval rather than the approval of others
- I will talk to someone today about receiving the inheritance of Jesus

