

# A FAMILY'S DARK SECRET

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## INTRODUCTION:

### A. Family Dynamics (Gen. 37:1-11)

1. **Favoritism** (v. 3)
2. **Friction** (vv. 2, 4)
3. **Jealousy** (vv. 5-11)

### B. Family's Dark Secrets (Gen. 37:12-36)

#### Joseph's Brothers...

1. **Conspired** to commit murder (vv. 18-19)
2. **Sold** Joseph to Slavery (vv. 26-27)
3. **Lied** to their Father Jacob (vv. 31-34)

### C. God Discloses the Family Dark Secret

#### *Encouraging Insights from how Joseph and his brothers responded*

#### *God exposes...*

1. Not to **HUMILATE** us but to **HUMBLE** us (Gen. 42:18-24; Gen. 45:4-6; Gen. 50:19-20)
2. Not to **HURT** us but to **HEAL** us (Gen. 45:13-15)
3. Not because He **HATE** us, but because He wants to **HAVE** us

## Conclusion: