

Big Idea: *During the great seven-year famine, Joseph's brothers are forced to Egypt to buy grain, resulting in a confrontation. They don't recognize Joseph, but they remember their misdeeds. They attribute their calamity to divine judgment – their "sin has found them out." But are they repentant?*

I. Introduction

What sorts of things have no "statue of limitations"?

II. Remembering the Past

Is Joseph wise to be wary of his brothers? Why or why not?

Can you recall any wrongs done to you a long time ago?

III. Conclusion and Application

Have you ever thought, "I sure hope that guy doesn't get away with it!"

A common argument against the existence of God:

1. If God was all good, he would want to destroy evil.
2. If God were all powerful, he could destroy evil.
3. Evil exists.

Therefore, God is either not all good, or not all powerful.

What is an answer?