## Suggested Discussion Questions for 2/12/2023 Message: THRIVING with Joseph pt 3, Genesis 39:21- 41:1

- 1. What is something you have you about thriving in your current circumstance, even when it's a season with yuck ducks?
- 2. Are you naturally more of a "fix it" or "embrace it" temperament? How does this positively and/or negatively impact your thriving in hostile or difficult situations?
- 3. Share your observations on how this passage affirms that wherever you are, it's by divine appointment, not by accident.
- 4. How attentive are you to the people you serve (note especially vss. 4-8)? How might you increase your awareness?
- 5. "People forget us but God doesn't". How do you respond to that? What do you learn from Joseph that relates to this?
- 6. What do you learn from this text on facing and overcoming discouragement?
- 7. How would you define lament? Why is it important? How do you practice it? How is it often distorted or destructive?
- 8. Share a time when a disappointment led to a new appointment or what seemed like a divine mistake clearly became a divine appointment? How does that perspective fuel thriving in difficult times?
- 9. How do you manage the "mode button" in your life?
- 10. What insight not yet addressed would you like to share or issue you'd like to discuss?