

**ChristChurch London Life Group Discussion Outline – 24/08/08**  
**“Genuine Repentance and Faith” – Ross Bull**

**Read Genesis 43-45.**

*Consider...*

*When we read Genesis we see real people facing real problems and challenges. Greed, loyalty, favouritism, forgiveness, and having faith all feature in this part of Joseph's story.*

1. How does Jacob display a lack of faith? What are the areas of our lives that we need to exercise faith in? (Generally and personally).
2. In this passage we see different people facing different tests (*Joseph's brothers – the test of greed and loyalty, Jacob – the test of favouritism, Joseph – the test of forgiveness.*) Are you facing a particular challenge or test? Do you need to take any lessons from these people and the way they respond?
3. How does Joseph's behaviour encourage us to be full of faith? (4 times in our reading he stated that God, not his brothers, was behind what had happened - 45:5,7,8,9)
4. How do we see Jesus in Joseph's actions? Why is this important?