## The Big Story: Not Your Average Joe Discussion Guide

- 1. Discuss the story of Joseph. Do you find anything surprising about the story?
- 2. Picture yourself sitting in the bottom of a cold, dark, cistern, or a cold dark prison cell. Have you ever been in a stage of life where you wondered where God was? If he cared? Or if he had forgotten you?
- 3. What aspects about the end of Joseph's story are encouraging?
- 4. What aspects about the end of the brothers' story are encouraging?
- 5. In light of the brothers' story, and God's grace, what role have you allowed guilt to play in your life?
- 6. What areas of life do you find yourself leaning toward a merit-based system?
- 7. How has/can this kind of thinking make us critical of other people?
- 8. What are some practical steps we can take to keep God's grace on our minds on a daily basis?