

READ

Genesis 50:19-21

CONSIDER

How would you respond if someone suddenly cut you off or honked at you for no reason while you are driving under the extremely hot weather in Toronto? I imagine some of us might react instinctively and feel the urge to 'pay back' or retaliate at that moment. Even though it is not the response we strive for, it is something we can all relate to.

According to Leger's online survey of 1,519 Canadians conducted from June 27 to June 30, 2025, 56% of Canadian drivers admitted to engaging in road rage behaviours such as cutting off other vehicles, making obscene gestures, and tailgating. And in the same survey 81% of them have seen other drivers doing those same things.¹

I look forward to this Sunday for a deeper look into the life of Joseph in Genesis to understand why he chose a counter-cultural response to those who had hurt and wounded him the most. I look forward to worshipping together with you in the Body of Christ on Sunday.

See you soon!

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1 - <https://canadianunderwriter.ca/news/claims/why-road-rage-is-the-summer-hit-of-2025/>

PRAY

Gracious Father, help us to remember the mercy You lavish upon us day in and day out; may You strengthen and sustain us on this journey. Allow us to see Your awe in our daily lives and to understand Your sovereignty in a deeper way. Give us the courage to make the decisions that please Your heart, and the desire to know You more and share Your mercy with others. Help us to walk closely and faithfully in your footsteps. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

DIVING DEEPER

Create a timeline of the major events and milestone in your life journey so far. How do you see God's sovereignty in each of these moments?

How have you experienced God's mercy in your life so far?

How can you show mercy and seek reconciliation with others throughout the rest of your day, your week, and until you return next week?

What would you choose: Revenge or Forgive? In your own context – whether in your family, school, workplace, church community, or even toward yourself – do you find it difficult to give? Do you forgive yourself?

In what ways can you reflect the love you've received from God—by loving Him, living out His calling for your life, and loving others?