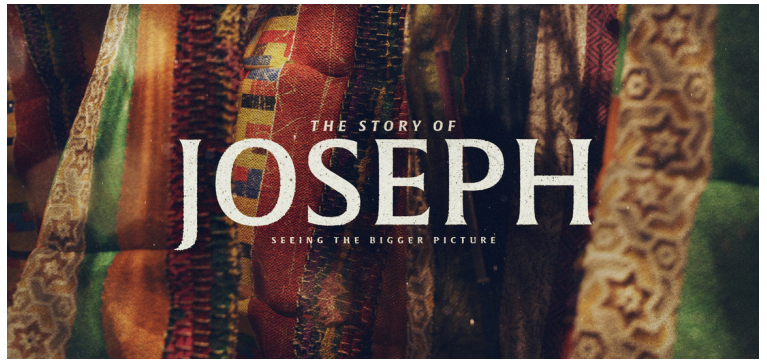


Sermon NOTES



September 20 // Part 6 // Rise to Power

SUMMARY

Life often brings things we never saw coming, and Joseph's story reminds us that we can't always control what happens to us, but we can choose how we respond. After years of waiting, setbacks, and silence, Joseph was suddenly brought from prison to the palace because God had been preparing him the whole time. In Genesis 41, we see how trusting God's timing, God's power, and God's Spirit can shape us for the doors He is preparing to open. This week, we'll discover that waiting seasons are never wasted when our lives remain surrendered to God.

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Let's go in our Bibles to Genesis 41 (NLT)

1. Our _____ with God creates
_____ for God.

Genesis 41:15-16 (NLT)

Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I had a dream last night, and no one here can tell me what it means. But I have heard that when you hear about a dream you can interpret it." 16 "It is beyond my power to do this," Joseph replied. "But God can tell you what it means and set you at ease."

"The essential thing 'in heaven and earth' is, apparently, that there should be a long obedience in the same direction; there thereby results, and has always resulted in the long run, something which has made life worth living;

Private time with God is never wasted time.

Let's go in our Bibles to Genesis 41:37-44 (NLT)

2. The _____ gives divine _____ and a clear _____.

Genesis 41:37, 38 NLT

Joseph's suggestions were well received by Pharaoh and his officials. So Pharaoh asked his officials, "Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?"

When the Spirit of God fills us, we're filled with the presence of God, and others notice it:

- Your wisdom exceeds your years or your experience.
- Your positive influence on others increases
- Your opportunity for spiritual conversations increases

Genesis 41:43b- 44 NLT

So Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of all Egypt. 44 And Pharaoh said to him, "I am Pharaoh, but no one will lift a hand or foot in the entire land of Egypt without your approval.

Daily 15 minute challenge:

- 5 minutes Bible reading
- 5 minutes of quiet reflection
- 5 minutes of prayer