

Dreams

And the Time In-Between

Genesis 37

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1. THE REVEALING OF THE DREAM

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A. Unexpected

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B. Exciting

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C. Meant to Be Shared

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D. Brings Opposition

Genesis 37:5 (ESV)- Now Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers they hated him even more. (Hate)

Genesis 37:10a,11b (ESV)-But when he told it to his father ... his father rebuked him...but his father kept the saying in mind. (Doubt)

2. THE REFINING OF THE DREAMER

Genesis 37:28 (ESV)- Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.

A. A Time of Testing

Psalms 105:17b-19 (ESV)-Joseph, who was sold as a slave. His feet were hurt with fetters; his neck was put in a collar of iron; until what he had said came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him.

Genesis 39:11-12 (ESV)-But one day, when he went into the house to do his work and none of the men of the house was there in the house, she caught him by his garment, saying, "Lie with me." But he left his garment in her hand and fled and got out of the house.

B. A Time of Training

Genesis 39:3 (ESV)- His master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord caused all that he did to succeed in his hands. So Joseph found favor in his sight and attended him, and he made him overseer of his house and put him in charge of all that he had.

Genesis 39:22 (ESV)-And the keeper of the prison put Joseph in charge of all the prisoners who were in the prison. Whatever was done there, he was the one who did it.

C. A Time of Together

Genesis 39:2 (ESV)-The Lord was with Joseph, and he became a successful man, and he was in the house of his Egyptian master.

Genesis 39:21-22 (ESV)- And Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined, and he was there in prison. But the Lord was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

3. THE REALIZATION OF THE DREAM

Genesis 41:39a-41 (ESV)-Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has shown you all this, there is none so discerning and wise as you are. You shall be over my house, and all my people shall order themselves as you command. Only as regards the throne will I be greater than you." And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt."

Genesis 42:6 (ESV)-Now Joseph was governor over the land. He was the one who sold to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came and bowed themselves before him with their faces to the ground.

Here Is The Point: God is still fulfilling dreams today!

Life Application Section

1. *There is a Dream For Your Life*
2. *There Will Be A Time of Testing*
3. *There Will Be A Time of Preparation*
4. *There Will Be A Time of Fulfillment*