



## JOSEPH IN EGYPT daily devotional 12



LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You for a comfortable bed and keeping me safe overnight. Help me let Jesus' light shine through me today. Help me to understand what I study today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

### **MEMORY VERSE - GENESIS 39:3**

"And his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord made all he did to prosper in his hand".

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: GENESIS 39:1-6



Joseph was frightened and very upset as a result of his brothers selling him into slavery. He was being taken away from his family and country into a place he didn't know. But he decided to give himself fully to the Lord and asked God to keep him safe in Egypt. As a result of his surrender to God, God blessed him. Joseph didn't worship the idols of Egypt, he only worshipped the one true God. God's character shone through Joseph to the extent that Potiphar saw the Lord was with him.

Do you let God's light shine through you? It's important that we let our light shine for Jesus because people notice. Ask God to help your character shine like Joseph's.

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 39:5

"So it was, from the ...... that he had made him ...... of his ...... and all that he ....., that the Lord ..... the Egyptian's house for ..... sake; and the blessing of the ..... was on all that he had in the house and in the ......"





LET'S PRAY Dear Father, thank You for dying for my sins. Help me to be like You. I cannot do anything without You. Please come into my heart. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 39:7-18



Joseph's love for his God and love for his master, Potiphar, who had treated him like his own son, helped him not to commit the sin that Potiphar's wife wanted him to do.

Even though Potiphar's wife tempted Joseph over and over again, Joseph remained faithful and steadfast. Potiphar's wife got angry that Joseph would not attend to her wishes and accused Joseph of attacking her.

When we are tempted with sin, is our love for our God so strong and steadfast that we refuse to partake in it? We need to pray every day that God will give us the strength we need to live for Him.



#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 39:9

"There is no one greater in this ...... than I, nor has he ..... back anything from ...... but you, because you are his wife. ..... then can I do this ..... wickedness, and ..... against God?"





## TUESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Lord, thank You for my Mum and Dad. Please help me to let Your light shine through me today. I love You Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **MEMORY VERSE - GENESIS 39:3**

"And his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord made all he did to prosper in his hand".

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 39:19-23 & 40:1-7



God had blessed Joseph again even though he was in prison! The prison warden saw in Joseph something special and gave Joseph charge over the prisoners. Joseph's light was shining for Jesus.

We also read that the Pharaoh had two officers, the chief butler and baker. They had somehow offended the Pharaoh and he had thrown them into prison.



The prison warden told Joseph to look after them. But one morning Joseph found they had each had a dream and it had troubled them greatly.

It doesn't matter where we live, whether we are rich or poor or whatever our circumstances are, if we choose to serve God, God will bless us and use us for His Glory.

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 39:21

"But the ..... was with Joseph and ..... him mercy, and He gave him ..... in the sight of the ..... of the prison".





# WEDNESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Father, thank You for another day. Help me to be kind to others. Help me to be thankful and grateful. Help me to understand Your word. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **MEMORY VERSE - GENESIS 39:3**

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 40:8-23



Joseph acknowledged God in interpreting dreams. God had been giving Joseph dreams since he was a young boy. God had been preparing him for such a time as this. Joseph interpreted the dreams for the Butler and the Baker and we read that the Butler was released in three days and got his job back with the Pharaoh. But the Baker unfortunately dies by hanging in three days as predicted.



Joseph asked the Butler to remember him and try and get him out of prison because he was innocent. But the Butler forgot all about Joseph's kindness and Joseph remained in prison for another two years.

Do we remember to thank people for the kindness they show or do for us? Or do we forget like the Butler and only remember two years later?

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 40:14

"But ...... me when it is well with you, and ...... show ...... to me; make mention of me to ....., and get me out of this ......"





# THURSDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, I praise and thank Your name. Thank You for loving me and doing so much for me. Help me to be faithful and true. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **MEMORY VERSE - GENESIS 39:3**

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THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: GENESIS 41:1-16



So we read that Pharaoh had two dreams that troubled him greatly. In verse 8, the Bible says that all the magicians and wise men could not interpret the dream. But the Butler, who two years before had his dream interpreted correctly in prison, suddenly remembered Joseph and told Pharaoh all about him. So Joseph was taken out of prison and brought to the Pharaoh of Egypt. Again Joseph gave all the credit to God for the interpretation of dreams.

Joseph was very faithful in reminding people that it was God who gave him the gift of spiritual inspiration. It was nothing he did on his own. Do we thank God enough for the special gifts he gives us?

Do we acknowledge to the people around us, that it is God who is responsible for the special things we can do?



#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 41:14

"Then ...... sent and ...... Joseph, and they brought him ...... out of the .....; and he shaved, changed his ....., and came to Pharaoh".





LET'S PRAY Dear Lord, thank You for the food You provide me each day. Thank You for providing me with so many blessings. Thank You for my Bible. Help me to listen to Your instructions. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 41:17-36



Pharaoh told Joseph his two dreams. Joseph interpreted the dreams and told Pharaoh that God revealed to him that there would be seven years of great plenty for Egypt, followed by seven years of severe famine.

Joseph then told Pharaoh he needed to select a wise man to orga-



nise the collection and storage of food over the seven years of plenty, so that in the seven years of famine, when they couldn't grow food, there would be enough food to eat and the people of Egypt won't starve.

Can you think of the many blessings that God gives you each day? Think about the Sabbath and what you can do to prepare for it.

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 41:29-30

"Indeed ...... years of great plenty will come ...... all the land of ....... j but after them seven ...... of famine will ....., and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of ......; and the famine will ...... the land".





LET'S PRAY Thank You, God, for the Sabbath day. Thank You for my day of rest from the busy world. Help me to hear Your voice through Your word today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 41:37-57



## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Pharaoh chose Joseph to do the job of storing up the food during the seven years of plenty throughout Egypt. And just as Joseph had interpreted, the seven years of famine came.

Joseph held a very high position in the Egyptian government; more powerful than a Prime Minister. Wow, isn't God good! Joseph went from a slave, to a prisoner in the dungeon, to a type of Prime Minister!

God did a marvellous work in Joseph's life, blessed him beyond measure and protected him in a foreign land.

God turned something bad, (Joseph's brothers selling him into slavery), into something good, (God using Joseph to save the Egyptian race from starvation).



## SABBATH QUIZ

1. What was the name of the man who bought Joseph as a slave?

2. There were two men who worked in the court of Pharaoh and were put into prison. Who were they?

3. In Pharoah's dream, he dreamt about plump and good stalks of grain. How many were there?

4. Could the magicians and the wise men from the court of Pharaoh interpret his dream? Yes or No?

5. How many years did Joseph tell Pharaoh the famine would last?



This week we will continue our studies about Joseph and find out how God turned something disastrous into something good.



Torchlight

"Now all these precious lessons came vividly before him. Joseph believed that the God of his fathers would be his God. He then and there gave himself fully to the Lord, and he prayed that the keeper of Israel would be with him in the land of his exile" – Patriarchs & Prophets p. 213



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