



-Perseverance-

Leaning on the Lord

Review of Day 1



Joseph's brothers saw their father loved Joseph more and hated him

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His brother's bundles of wheat bowed down before Joseph's bundle

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They grab him, take his robe and put him in the cistern

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The traders take Joseph on the long trip to Egypt

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In Egypt, Joseph is taken to the slave market and sold to Potiphar

Theme Verse

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.”

Proverbs 3: 5-6

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”

Romans 8:28 (NIV)



Perseverance – Leaning on the Lord

- In today's story, the trials for Joseph continue, but God remains with him. (Genesis 39-41)
- Like Joseph, God carries us through our trials
- Every trial is a lesson God uses to prepare us for His plan for us.
- As God grows our faith and trust in Him, he also shapes our character so that we can influence others for Christ.

“...We are full of joy even when we suffer. We know that our suffering gives us the strength to go on. The strength to go on produces character. Character produces hope. And hope will never bring us shame. That’s because God’s love has been poured into our hearts...”

Romans 5: 3-5 (NIRV)



Joseph is taken to Egypt and sold to Potiphar, the captain of the guard



Joseph is a slave, but the Lord was with Joseph



God prospered Joseph and his master saw that the Lord was with him



Potiphar put Joseph in charge of his household



Potiphar's wife took notice of Joseph and tried to tempt him



Joseph refused her advances, but she continued to tempt him



When the other servants were gone, she tried to tempt him again



She grabbed him by his cloak, but he ran away without his cloak



She told her husband Joseph forced himself on her



Potiphar put Jacob in prison, but the Lord was still with Joseph



God granted Joseph favor in the eyes of the prison warden



Joseph was in charge of everyone in prison, and the Lord with Joseph



The cup bearer and baker offended the Pharaoh and were sent to prison



They both had dreams. The cup bearer's dream had three branches of grapes



The cup bearer squeezed the grapes into the Pharaoh's cup.



He gave the cup to the Pharaoh



Joseph interpreted his dream that in 3 days the Pharaoh would restore his job. Joseph asked the cup bearer not to forget him in prison.



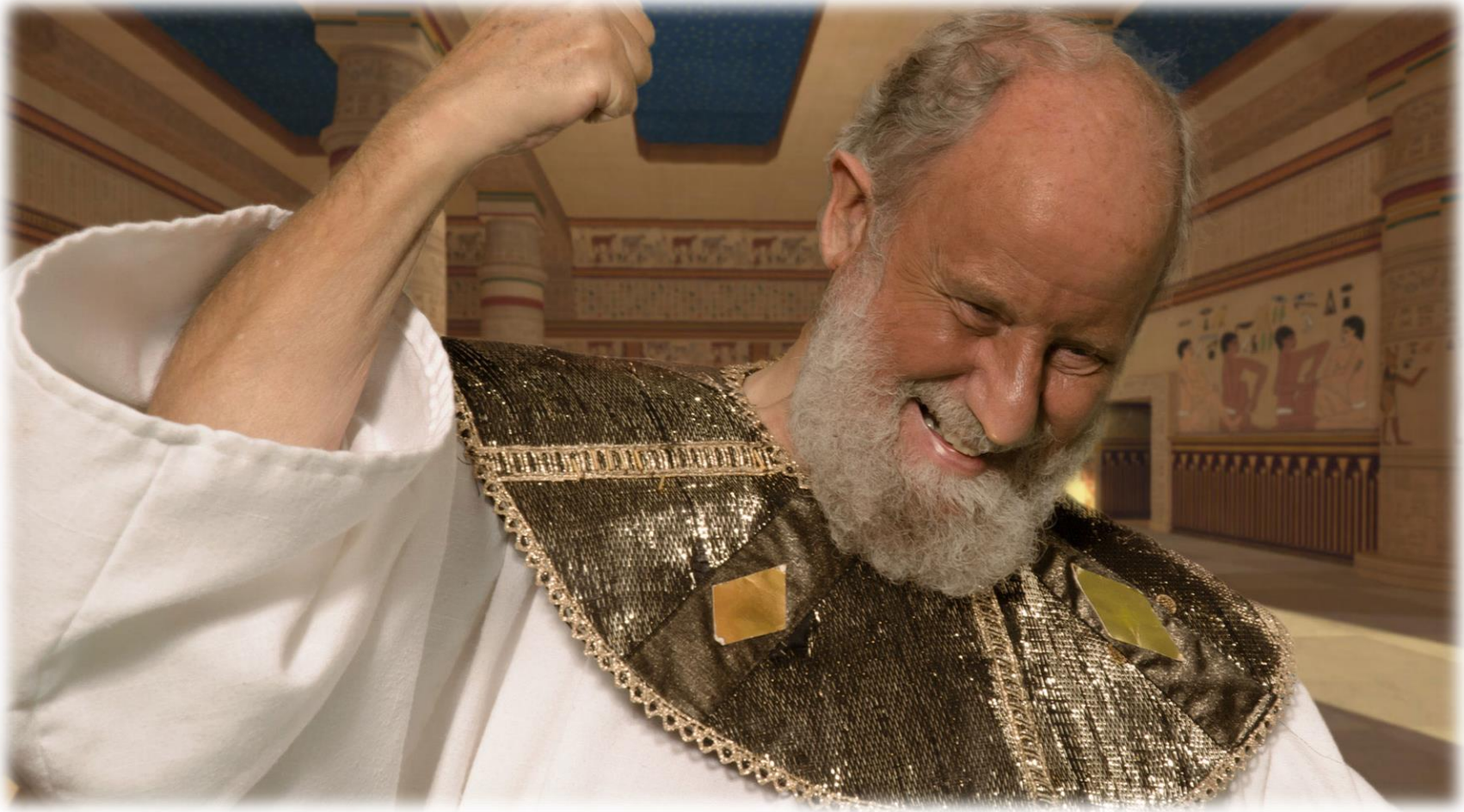
In the baker's dream; he had 3 baskets of bread on his head for the Pharaoh



But, birds were eating the baked goods out of the baskets



Joseph interpreted the baker's dream that in 3 days the Pharaoh would kill him and birds would eat his flesh



In three days the Pharaoh restored the cup bearer's job



But the Pharaoh had the baker killed



The cup bearer forgot about Joseph for two years



After two long years, Joseph is still in prison, but God was with him



Pharaoh had a dream with 7 healthy fat cows that are among the reeds



They were followed by 7 ugly skinny cows that ate the 7 fat cows



Later Pharaoh had another dream with 7 healthy heads of grain on a single stalk



They were followed by 7 sickly heads of grain that swallowed up the 7 healthy heads



He was troubled. None of his wise men could interpret his dream.



The cup bearer told the Pharaoh about Joseph's ability to interpret dreams.



Joseph is brought to the Pharaoh



The Pharaoh tells his dreams to Joseph



Joseph tells Pharaoh the two dreams are one and the same



There will be 7 years of plenty followed by 7 years of famine. Pharaoh must store up crops during the 7 years of plenty



Pharaoh appoints Joseph as his second in command

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- God develops our character through trials;

Love

Joy

Peace

Patience

Kindness

Good

Faithful

Gentleness

Hope

Strength

Forgiveness

Trust

Humility

Courage

Generosity

Self Control

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