"Contenders and Champions in the Kingdom"

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Contenders and Champions





- >July 6 John Mark
- >July 13 Joseph
- > July 20 Mary, the Mother of Jesus
- >July 27 Esther





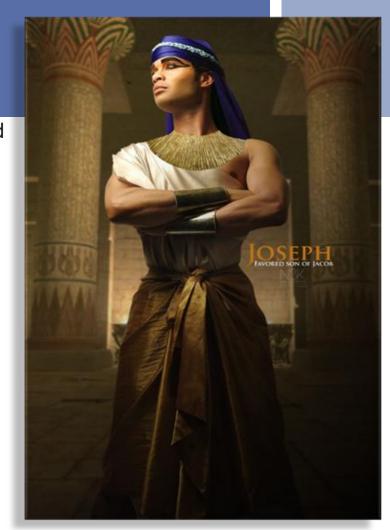




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The meaning of 'Joseph' is "God adds". He was the eleventh son of Jacob and the elder of two sons of Rachel (Genesis 30:24). Joseph's life can be divided into five phases.

- 1. From Favored Son to Slave: Joseph's Early Life
- 2. Finding Purpose in the Pit
- 3. Dreams, Interpretation, and Divine Timing
- 4. From Prison to Palace
- 5. The Art of Forgiveness
- 6. God's Providence in Life's Journey
- 7. Legacy of Leadership



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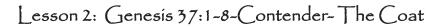


- ➤ Joseph the beloved son of Jacob (Genesis 37:1-4)
- > Joseph at the Potiphar's House (Genesis 39:1-20)
- ➤ Joseph in the Prison (Genesis 39:20 41:37)
- ➤ The Chief Minister (Governor) of Egypt (Genesis 41:41-56)
- ➤ The Unusual Family Reunion (Genesis 42-50)



Joseph lesson

Genesis 37:1-8, Genesis 37:22-25, Genesis 39:1-4, Genesis 39:7-10, Genesis 39:18-21 Genesis 41:1-4, Genesis 41:14-16, Genesis 42:2-6, Genesis 45: 17-22 Genesis 45:23-28



Beloved of the Father

- And Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan.
- ²These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad was with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report.
- ³Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colours.
- ⁴And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.

- ⁵And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.
- 6 And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:
- 7For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.
- ⁸And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.



Joseph



Lesson 2: Genesis 37: 22-25-Contender-the pit

- ²²And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood, but cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.
- ²³ And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, his coat of many colours that was on him;
- ²⁴ And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, there was no water in it.
- ²⁵And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry it down to Egypt.

Lesson 2: Genesis 39:1-4-Contender-Potiphar and Wife

1 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.

2And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

4And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.









Lesson 2: Genesis 39:7-10-Contender-The Wife

Lesson 2: Genesis 39:18-21-Contender-The Wife

7And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.

18 And it came to pass, as | lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.

9 There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?

20And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison.

10And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

21 But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.



Joseph



Lesson 2: Genesis 41:1-4

Pharaoh" Dream

1 And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and behold, he stood by the river.

2And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fat fleshed; and they fed in a meadow.

3 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and lean fleshed; and stood by the other kine upon the brink of the river.

4And the ill favoured and lean fleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine. So, Pharaoh awoke.

Lesson 2: Genesis 41:14-16

14 Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved himself, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, that thou canst understand a dream to interpret it.

16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace.



Joseph



Lesson 2: Genesis 42:2-6

2And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

3And Joseph said unto his brethren, I am Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

4And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.

5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.

6For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest.

Lesson 2: Genesis 45:17-22

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;

18 And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and | will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land.

19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20 Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours.

21 And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

22 To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver, and five changes of raiment.





Lesson 2: Genesis 45:23-28

23 And to his father he sent after this manner; ten asses laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

2450 he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, See that ye fall not out by the way.

25 And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father,

26 And told him, saying, Joseph is yet alive, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt. And Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.

27 And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived:

28 And Israel said, It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

