

THE STORY



JOSEPH: FROM SLAVE TO DEPUTY PHARAOH

Genesis 37-50

FROM DREAMER TO SLAVE

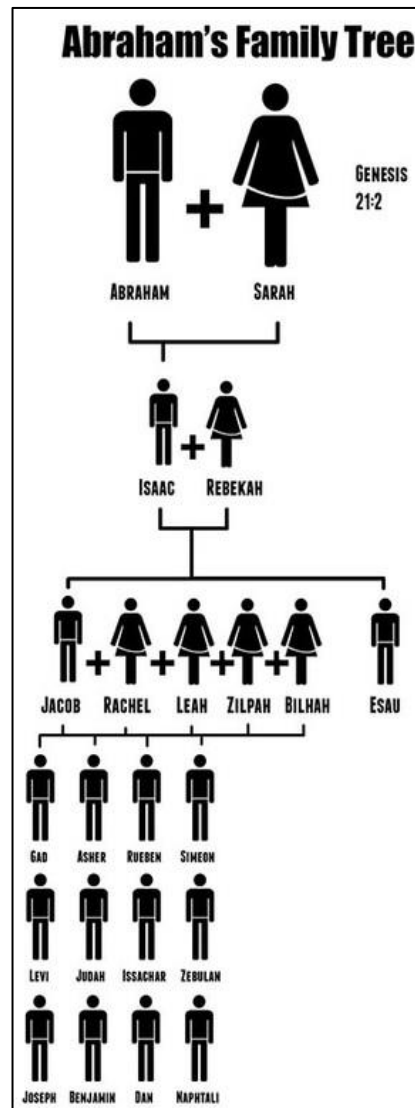
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FROM SLAVE TO PRISONER

"The LORD was with Joseph so that he prospered..."

Genesis 39:2-3, 21, 23



When temptation comes: don't just turn away,

_____.

FROM PRISONER TO DEPUTY PHARAOH

Even in the pit or the prison, the LORD is _____ you.

"I cannot do it," Joseph replied to Pharaoh, 'but God will give Pharaoh the answer he desires."

Genesis 41:16

FROM REUNION TO REDEMPTION

"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives"

Genesis 50:20

Life is best lived through the lens of God's _____

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Chapter 3: *Joseph: From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh*

Sermon on February 13, 2022

Introductory Video Link: <https://bit.ly/ch3Joseph>

Getting to Know Me

1. What is one of your favorite childhood memories?
2. Who has been the most influential person in your life? Why?

Digging Deeper

3. What insight or observation from Sunday's message did you find most helpful, eye-opening, or challenging? Why?
4. Read together Genesis 37:12-36. How would you feel if you were Joseph on the way to see your brothers? After they threw you in the cistern? Sold you to the Ishmaelites/Midianites?
5. Potiphar's wife falsely accused Joseph. Have you ever been falsely accused? What did you do? If you could go back in time, how might you handle it differently?
6. What do we learn about God from the years of trials Joseph faced?

7. Joseph was able to forgive his brothers and their relationship was restored. How was Joseph able to forgive the horrible things his brothers did to him? Could you forgive them if you were Joseph?

8. Pastor Phil said that "all of scripture whispers Jesus's name." Where do you see whispers of Jesus in this chapter of The Story?

Where Do I Go from Here?

9. Pastor Phil said that "your story isn't over yet." In what ways might your attitude or perspective change if you view your lower-story circumstances through the upper-story lens of God working?
10. Read Genesis 50:20 and Romans 8:28. Choose one to memorize and meditate on this week.
11. Are there people who have wronged you that you need to forgive? What steps can you take this week to forgive or restore that relationship?

Prayer

12. Praise God for His love and forgiveness. Thank Him for the times He's taken the bad in your life and used it for His good. Choose a scribe to note down prayer requests and email/text them to the group.

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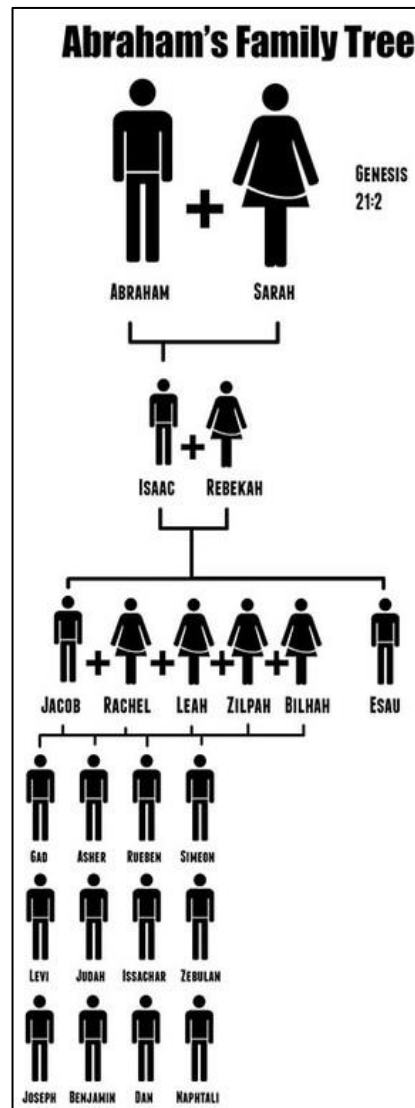
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When temptation comes: don't just turn away, run away.

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