

Key Texts

GENESIS 39:1,2

Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there. The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master.

GENESIS 39:3,4

When his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord gave him success in everything he did, Joseph found favor in his eyes and became his attendant. Potiphar put him in charge of his household, and he entrusted to his care everything he owned.

GENESIS 39:5

From the time he put him in charge of his household and of all that he owned, the Lord blessed the household of the Egyptian because of Joseph. The blessing of the Lord was on everything Potiphar had, both in the house and in the field.

GENESIS 39:6

So Potiphar left everything he had in Joseph's care; with Joseph in charge, he did not concern himself with anything except the food he ate. Now Joseph was well-built and handsome...

GENESIS 39:7-9

and after a while his master's wife took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he refused. "With me in charge," he told her, "my master does not concern himself with anything in the house; everything he owns he has entrusted to my care. No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?"

GENESIS 39:10-14

And though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or even be with her. One day he went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the household servants was inside. She caught him by his cloak and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house. When she saw that he had left his cloak in her hand and had run out of the house, she called her household servants. "Look," she said to them, "this Hebrew has been brought to us to make sport of us! He came in here to sleep with me, but I screamed."

Key Ideas

1

Joseph was sold into slavery by jealous brothers, because when his brothers couldn't kill the dream, the only option they had left was to try and kill the dreamer.

2

We've got something the world can't take because the world didn't give it. When you find a deserving atmosphere, let what you carry rest upon it, and if it isn't received, dust off your feet and keep going.

3

When you gave your life to Christ, you gave up the right to self-define what is true and what is good. Our definitions don't belong to popular culture, they belong to God.

4

Only a God as good as the one we read about in this book has the power to make you new no matter how many mistakes you have made.

Questions & Takeaways

- How can we practically love people unconditionally while having an unwavering allegiance to Scripture?
- What areas in your life will you give God permission today to develop you for His glory?
- What lie from culture is God wantto speak truth to in your life?

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