

Joseph: A Man of Faith, Integrity and Grace

“The Promotion: From the Pit to the Palace” David Owens

Deuteronomy 31:7-8

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Introduction:

- A. How many of us enjoy _____?
- B. We certainly don't like _____ for God to answer our prayers or _____ our difficult circumstances.
- C. That's where we left Joseph two weeks ago—in a dungeon _____, waiting on _____.
- D. Joseph had been forgotten by the _____ to the king.

I. The Story

- A. Pharaoh had a bad _____ - two of them to be exact.
- B. He sent for his _____ men and told them his dreams, but they could _____ interpret them.
- C. That's when the light bulb went on in the cupbearer's mind and he _____ Joseph.
- D. Pharaoh called for Joseph, but Joseph took a moment to _____ up before he went before Pharaoh.
- E. When Pharaoh said that he had heard that Joseph could interpret dreams, Joseph replied, “I _____, but God _____.”
- F. Both of the dreams had the _____ meaning—Egypt would have seven years of _____ followed by seven years of _____.
- G. In addition to the interpretation, Joseph also offered a _____.
- H. Egypt was going to need someone, Pharaoh appointed _____.

II. The Application

- A. One main lesson: During the waiting periods of life, we must simply _____ God.
- B. As we trust God...
 - 1. We shouldn't be surprised by periods of _____.
 - 2. We should be looking for the _____ God is teaching us.
 - 3. We should realize that God is always on _____.
 - 4. We should realize that God is always _____.

Answer Key: Intro. A. waiting. B. waiting, change. C. prison, God. D. cupbearer. I.A. dream. I.B. wise, not. I.C. remembered. I.D. clean, himself. I.E. can't, can. I.F. same, abundance, famine. I.G. recommendation. I.H. Joseph. II.A. trust. II.B.1. delay. II.B.2. lessons. II.B.3. time. II.B.4. with, us.