Joseph: A Man of Faith, Integrity and Grace

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

Deuteronomy 31:7-8  7.11.10

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 ________ ____.

II.B.2. lessons.  II.B.3. time.  II.B.4. with, us.