

## **JOSEPH: FROM THE PIT TO THE PALACE! – Part 2**

Genesis 41:33-45

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### **5. THE LORD MOVES JOSEPH TO OFFER WISE COUNSEL - 33-35**

a) *Appoint A Wise Man - v. 33a* - He must get someone at the head who can discern (understand what needs to be done) and is wise, (knows the best way to go about getting it done). *1 Chronicles 12:32*

b) *Appoint A Wise Man Who Is A Leader - v. 33b-34b* - Due to size and scope, he must be trusted with absolute authority.

c) *Appoint A Wise Man Who Is A Leader and an Economist – vv. 34c-35b*

Let him take 1/5 of everything that comes up out of the ground and store it in designated granaries in Egypt, sealed under Pharaoh's authority.

d) *A Wise Man Who Is A Leader and an Economist with Security 35c-36*

Secure it, because once the famine comes, the place can be attacked by starving people! Wisdom comes from God! *Psalms 111:10a; Proverbs 2:6-10*

### **6. THE LORD MOVES PHARAOH TO PROMOTE JOSEPH - 38-45**

a) *Changed Joseph's Reputation – vv. 37-39* In front of everybody, Pharaoh changed Joseph's reputation from a prison slave, to having a divine spirit.

b) *Changed Joseph's Status – vv. 40-41* Vizier: the highest official in Ancient Egypt to serve Pharaoh. Joseph had no authority over the throne.

c) *Changed Joseph's Attire – v. 42* The ring was pressed into a soft object leaving the mark or seal of the King. He gave it to Joseph, full authority. Best linen and Pharaoh took his necklace and placed it around Joseph's neck.

d) *Changed Joseph's Crowd – vv. 43* Joseph has changed crowds several times. Now God has changed all that and placed him in the largest crowd a person can find themselves in, and he is the celebrated one above the crowd.

e) *Changed Joseph's Command – v. 44* - Joseph, once a slave and a prisoner, had to ask permission to perform some of his confined duties. Now he is given free rein to make national decisions! All activity had to go through Joseph and get approved before it could be done. He was trusted on large scale because he was trusted on a small scale. *Luke 16: 10-12*

f) *Changed Joseph's Name- v. 45* Zaphenath-paneah; - "life giver" or "Savior of the World." This name change was common when rulers brought foreigners into their courts and granted them citizenship. *Daniel 1:6-7*

g) *Changed His Singleness And Gave Him A Wife – v.45*

Joseph was now a full-fledged Egyptian! It was customary for high-ranking officials to marry into Pharaoh's family; a political responsibility. Joseph was following the job description. He went to work surveying the land. *v. 45b*