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SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 37

Introduction

The material in this Bible study is taken from *The Lord Was with Joseph*, Foreword and Introduction



• Why does God give us the stories of specific people in Scripture? ______ *As a positive or a negative example*

• List three examples in Scripture of God desiring to be

with man. The Creator's relationship with Adam and Eve in

the Garden of Eden, Tabernacle in the wilderness, the coming of

Christ, the giving of the Spirit, Heaven, etc.

• Every person is moving one of two directions:

away from the Lord or toward the Lord.

What repeated phrase summarizes the life of Joseph? ______

The Lord was with Joseph.

1 One Truth

The greatest thing anyone could say about your life is that the Lord was with you. It is the best epitaph by which one could be remembered. It is the distinguishing characteristic of the blessed life. Do you want to be blessed by the Lord? Remember, His **blessing is not measured in material things; it is manifested in His presence.** When you get the Blesser, you get the blessings. Pursue God, and He will bring along with Him every good thing He has planned for your life.



The story of Joseph, found in the book of Genesis, is an example of what it means to give all that you have to God early in life, and then watch Him give back to you His best for the rest of your life. Do you want God's best for your life? Of course, you do. The problem is that while everyone wants the product, not everyone likes the process. We all want God to give us His best, but we struggle to give Him our best. Joseph understood that, in order to find God's way, he would have to give himself entirely to the Lord. This is true in every generation. There is a phrase found four times in Genesis 39 that is a good summary of the entire life of Joseph: "the Lord was with Joseph." This divine repetition reminds us of the necessity of God's blessing.

🚱 Memorize and Meditate

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." – Romans 12:1-2



- 1. The truth revealed in Joseph's life.
 - A. Verse 2: "And the LORD was with Joseph ..." <u>God's presence</u> in Joseph's life was the same in Egypt as it was in Canaan.
 - B. Verse 3: "And his master saw that the LORD was with him..."

Others observed the presence of God in Joseph's life.

- C. Verse 21: "But the LORD was with Joseph ..." ______ The presence of God was present in the midst of difficulty.
- D. Verse 23: "... because the LORD was with him ..." <u>Every</u> good thing comes because of the presence of our good God.
- 2. The power revealed in the LORD'S name.
 - A. This particular name was especially **reverenced** by the people of God.
 - B. This name is a reminder of their relationship with God.LORD is "Yahweh", the name God used to reveal Himself to Israel as the God of covenant. He always keeps His promises.

😡 Next Steps on My Journey

Make certain that you have settled your own personal

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relationship with God through Jesus Christ. (For more on knowing Christ, visit enjoyingthejourney.org/gospel.) If you know the Lord personally, tell one person how you came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior. Remember that God is with all His children, and we must recognize His presence! Speak most about what the Lord means to you now that you belong to Him.



• What are some areas you need to give completely to God?

• How do you desire your life to be remembered? Will others remember you as someone who lived in the presence of God?

Verse 2: "And the LORD was with Joseph …"

Verse 3: "And his master saw that the LORD was with him…"

Verse 21: "But the LORD was with Joseph ..."

Verse 23: "... because the LORD was with him ..."

- Genesis 39



SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 37

Seeing The Lord In Your Past

The material in this Bible study is taken from The Lord Was with Joseph, pg. 7-24



• God is never <u>late</u>, you are just early (Deuteronomy 33:27, Isaiah 46:10, Psalm 90:2, Ecclesiastes 3:11).

• When your life is in God's <u>hands</u>, you are part of something bigger than yourself (Romans 8:28, 2 Corinthians 4:7-18, Ephesians 3:20).

• To live a God-conscious life, you must begin by seeing the Lord in your <u>*past*</u>. (Jeremiah 29:11, Philippians 1:6).

1 One Truth

Learn from your past but do not live in it. There are choices we will make, choices others will make that affect us, and choices God will make for us. You have complete control over your choices, a little control over other's choices, and no control over what God chooses. But His choice is always the right one. It is your responsibility to see the Lord in your past and allow Him to use it as He sees fit.



God allowed Joseph to be born at a particular time and place in His divine providence. The Lord loves to work in ordinary places. People are remembered for the extraordinary days in their lives, but they are made on their ordinary days. Joseph was born in Canaan, which we consider a happy and prosperous place. But the Lord only allowed him to live there 17 years before uprooting him and planting him somewhere else. It was in Canaan where God prepared him for his time in Egypt and everything that he was supposed to do with his life. Joseph had a variety of people that God allowed to touch his life. For Joseph in Genesis 37, the future was uncertain. The circumstances were unexpected. The people were unpredictable. None of that by itself sounds very promising, but there was one other detail to consider: "The Lord was with him."

🚱 Memorize and Meditate

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them that are the called according to his purpose." – Romans 8:28



1. See the Lord in where you were born.

"...in the land wherein his father was a stranger" (Genesis 37:1).

a. God wants to work where we are. Do I need a change of

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scenery or a change of heart?

- b. God works in ordinary places. God may choose to move you, but He will work where you are to prepare you for where He wants to take you.
- 2. See the Lord in when you were born.

"...Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren...Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age..." (Genesis 37:2).

- a. No generation has had more <u>opportunity</u> and more <u>obligation</u> than the current one.
- b. What does Psalm 31:14-15 teach us about God's timing? *He is always right on time.*
- 3. See the Lord in who He has brought into your life.

"Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colours. And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him..." (Genesis 37:3-4).

- a. God used a variety of people to touch Joseph's life. How can God use good relationships as well as difficult ones in your life?
- b. It was not Joseph's loving father who got him to the eventual place of blessing, but his hateful brothers. What verse illustrates this principle? <u>Psalm 76:10</u>

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- c. Joseph's pit was the <u>pathway</u> to all that God had prepared for him.
- d. God was not working to get Joseph to Egypt. Where was God seeking to bring Joseph? <u>To Himself.</u>

4. See the Lord in what He has done in your life.

"*And Joseph dreamed a dream...*" (Genesis 37:5).

- a. Joseph's earthly father gave him a coat. His Heavenly Father gave him what? <u>*His purpose.*</u>
- b. God <u>preserves</u> and protects His servants.
- c. You cannot live in the *burdens* or the *blessings* of yesterday.

Do you believe that God is able to take you from where you are at this moment to the place He has planned for you? The Bible says in Philippians 1:6, "*Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.*"

😡 Next Steps on my Journey

Write a short story of how God has protected and guided you to this point in your life. Do not major on minors or emphasize negatives. Think about how the Lord has been with you and speak most about Him. Share an appropriate testimony on social media, in conversation with someone, or with a group of fellow believers this week.



1. What is something unique in Joseph's past that the Lord turned for good later in his life?

2. What attribute of God stands out to you from this portion of Joseph's life?



SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 39

Remembering The Lord In Your Temptations

The material in this Bible study is taken from *The Lord Was with Joseph*, pg. 26-53



• Every day you must choose whether you are going to be <u>Judah</u> or Joseph. What do choices always have? <u>Consequences</u>

• If we are not what others perceive us to be, what are we?

We are what God knows us to be.

1 One Truth

We like to think that at some point we would get past all of the stress, struggle, and strain of life and have smooth sailing all the way to Heaven. That day never comes. We are sinners, surrounded by other sinners, and we live in a sin-cursed world. We all battle the flesh. How do we gain victory? We must remember that, in the middle of our temptations, the Lord is with us. That is the secret. You cannot avoid all temptation, but you can endure temptation without sinning against God.



By the time we see Joseph in Genesis 39, he is not only dealing with others, but with himself. Nothing evil is recorded of Joseph but that doesn't mean that he did not have a sin nature or selfish desires. It simply means that he made the right choice and did not allow himself to excuse sin or blame others. We see one of the great tests Joseph faced, one that we all face. It is a pass/fail test. It is the test of our integrity. God knows you and all of the deep, secret things of your life. He knows every thought, desire, motive, and choice made in the secret place. There was someone else in the house with Joseph and the wife of Potiphar — the Lord was in that house. The only way to break an attraction, an addiction, or an affection is to find a greater desire. As the Lord becomes our great pursuit, He will begin to change us. You cannot remove temptation, but you can look beyond the temptation to the God who is greater. How do we stay clean? Stay close to the Lord. We must remember the Lord in our temptations.

🚱 Memorize and Meditate

"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." - 1 Corinthians 10:13

Journeying with Joseph

• Remember that the tests often come after blessing.

And it came to pass after these things..." (39:7).

It is after the biggest <u>victories</u> that we can fight the biggest <u>spiritual</u> battles.

• Remember that when no one else is watching, God is.

"...thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness..." (39:9).

It was true that his master was not around, but what did Joseph immediately acknowledge? <u>The Master who was always there.</u>

• Remember that all sin is against God.

"... how can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" (39:9).

Sin affects many people, but it is always, first, and most terribly, against whom? ______ *God.*

When tempted to sin, where should we look? ______ Christ and

what He did on the cross.

• Remember that temptation will never go away.

"... as she spake to Joseph day by day..." (39:10).

Avoiding "<u>temptation</u>" helps to keep us from "<u>evil</u>."

LESSON THREE

What account do we find in Luke 4? And what does it teach us about daily temptation? <u>The Temptation of Jesus. Satan only</u>

departed for a season – he will always return.

• Remember that if you want to avoid sin, you must get as far away from it as possible.

List the four commands we are given in Proverbs 4:15 regarding sin:

 Avoid it.	
 Pass not by it.	
 Turn from it.	
Pass away.	

Determine to get <u>as far away</u> from sin as possible.

• Remember there is a time to run.

"...and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out." (39:12).

Temptation itself is not a sin but what may be?

Your response to temptation

Discuss: at what point should you determine to remain pure?

• Remember that people can take everything from you except your integrity.

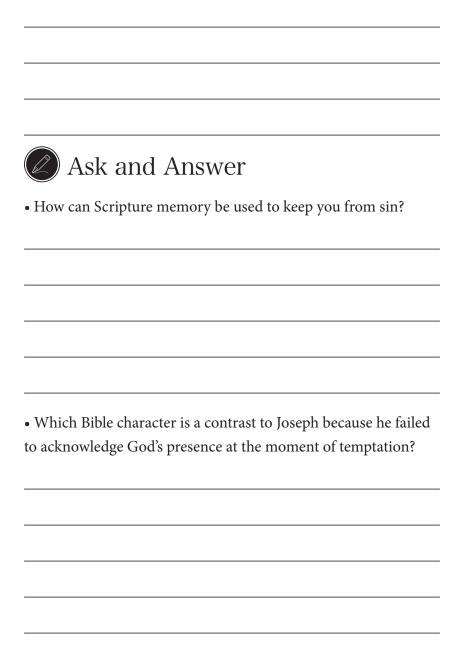
"But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison...because the LORD was with him, and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper" (excerpt from 39:21-23).

If you want God's best, then you must choose to live a life of *uprightness* when others are bowing all around you.

In every generation, God is looking for individuals who will walk with Him, and through whom He can show Himself to others. Determine that you will be one of those of whom it can be said today, *"The Lord was with them."*

🛞 Next Steps on My Journey

Every person has their besetting sins. List the top three temptations which you have to fight. Then, find at least one Scripture that speaks to each of those areas. Write out the verses, commit them to memory, and quote them aloud when the temptation comes.





SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 39:21-49:33

Serving The Lord In Your Difficulty

The material in this Bible study is taken from The Lord Was with Joseph, pg. 54-81



If you strive to follow Jesus Christ, you can count on the fact that there will be what? ______ *A war.*

• Why is this? Because Satan opposes everything God ordains.

• List an example of someone who served the Lord in spite of difficulty:

• The only way you will be what God wants you to be is by <u>serving</u> Him in the midst of difficulty.

One Truth

There is no shortcut to God's best and there is no substitute for faithfulness. One of the great truths in Scripture is that victory is found not after the battle, but in the middle of the battle. We must learn to be faithful through the struggle. Peace is found not after the storm subsides, but in the middle of the storm. You are not to serve the Lord only after circumstances have improved. You must serve Him while you are immersed in difficulty.



Sometimes even when we do right it seems things turn out wrong. Perhaps you are trying to obey the Lord and honor God and you find yourself in less than desirable circumstances. Joseph understood that, and so does the Lord! When Genesis chapter 39 ends, we find Joseph in jail, not for a crime, but for making a godly choice. Remember that the end of one chapter is never the end of the story. Joseph was in jail, yet they put him in charge. They thought he did such good work that they left him alone and hardly even supervised him at all. After the unpleasant encounter with Potiphar's wife, he was once again in a place where God watched over him and gave him prosperity.

🚱 Memorize and Meditate

"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing." - James 1:2-4



1. Do what you can where you are.

• "...and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper" (39:23b).

i. The will of God begins by doing what?

Simply taking the next step.

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ii. Read Colossians 3:23. Now, discuss some areas where you can serve the Lord.

iii. The will of God is never <u>future</u>; it is always <u>present</u>

iv. Memorize Psalm 46:1.

2. Learn to minister to others who are having a hard time.

• "...and he served them..." (40:4).

i. What verse encourages us to "bear ye one another's burdens..."? Galatians 6:2

ii. The Bible tells us that Joseph <u>served</u> the baker and butler (40:4).

3. Wait on God.

• "And it came to pass at the end of two full years..." (41:1).

i. God never wastes a single day when it is <u>given to Him.</u>

iii. What two things should you do in the waiting period?

Stay as close to God as possible.

Be as thoroughly right with Him as you can be.

iv. Do not allow your trouble to become a wedge that divides you from God; let it be a <u>prod</u> to drive you nearer to Him.

LESSON FOUR

4. Refuse to get stuck in your past.

• "For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction" (41:52).

i. What did Joseph name his sons? What do their names mean?

Manasseh – "forgetting."

Ephraim – "fruitful."

ii. What is a Scripture that warns against "any root of bitterness"?

Hebrews 12:15.

5. Forgive.

- "Ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good" (50:20).
 - i. One key to moving beyond the past is learning to

forgive.

ii. To have the blessing, you must do what first?

Be a blessing.

iii. What is the greatest form of giving? ______ Forgiving.

iv. Read Genesis 49:22-26, and observe both the battles and blessings in Joseph's life.

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This truly was the story of Joseph's life. He had been separated geographically and circumstantially from his brothers. But there was more—he was spiritually set apart from his brothers. "*The Lord was with him*." Refuse to be sidetracked or distracted. Keep serving the Lord. He is with you.

🚱 Next Steps on My Journey

When we are dealing with difficulties, it is very easy to become self-centered. Identify someone else this week who is struggling in some way and show the love of Christ to them. Write a letter, make a call, or visit them. Do something to encourage another person.



What is one example of Joseph's faithfulness in the middle of difficult circumstances?

LESSON FOUR

Why is waiting on God so hard and yet so important?



SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 50

Trusting The Lord For Your Future

The material in this Bible study is taken from The Lord Was with Joseph, pg. 82-100



• Death is not an end, but a <u>doorway</u>, a bridge into <u>eternity</u>.

• For a Christian, what will be the most wonderful day?

The day you see Jesus Christ for the first time.

• Read Acts 20:24. List some goals you have for your journey with Jesus.



People say they are trusting Christ for their eternal salvation but then refuse to trust Him for their present situation. Four times in Scripture we are told that "the just shall live by faith." Faith is not only how you come to Christ, it is how you are to follow Him every day. **God is already in your future, and He will meet you as you continue to walk by faith.** The Christian life is a faith life. Rest in the fact that God has worked in your past, believe that He is enabling you for what you must do today, and trust that your future is in His hands.



Genesis 50 is not only the final chapter of that book, but the final chapter of Joseph's life. He is described here as an old man, which is strange for me, because I always see him frozen in time in my mind, as that 17-year-old young man wearing his father's coat. But none of us stay young forever. As we walk through Genesis 50, we discover that Joseph finished strong. So many people start well, but do not end well. I have no idea how much time I have left, but I want to trust God for my future, and I want all that He has for me. How do we go about doing that? Let's follow Joseph's pattern.

🚱 Memorize and Meditate

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." - Matthew 6:33-34

Journeying with Joseph

- 1. Honor those who instructed you.
 - a. Joseph chose to <u>honor</u> his father.
 - b. Joseph sought <u>counsel</u> from his father.
 - i. What lesson does this teach us about counsel?

Find spiritual people, mature believers, who have been

further down the road, and seek counsel from them.

2. Leave all of the details of life in God's hands.

a. Jim Elliot said that God gives His best to whom?

Those who leave the choice with Him.

b. Write out Psalm 100:3

3. Love and lift up others.

a. "Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them." (50:21).

i. In what three ways did Joseph minister to his brothers?

Physically ("nourish")

Spiritually ("comforted")

Showed kindness to them ("spake kindly")

ii. If you want God's continued blessing, seek to *be a blessing* to other people.

4. Stay in God's Word and use your words to share it with others.

a. "...God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence" (50:25).

LESSON FIVE

i. What does Romans 10:17 teach us about growing our faith?_____

ii. We must keep our eyes on our perfect, unchanging Lord. What is the only way to do this? <u>Live in the Word of God.</u>

If you want to be prepared for that day when you see Jesus face to face for the first time-start today, and live every day obeying and trusting in Him. You don't know where or when you will die, but you can choose how you will die. It is up to you to decide if you will finish in faith. The Lord is with you, and you will be with Him soon.

🚱 Next Steps on My Journey

Reach out to two individuals who have been an encouragement, mentor, or good example to you. Let them know how much you appreciate their influence on your life. Ask them to continue to pray for you, and if needed, seek counsel regarding any coming decisions.



In what ways did Joseph seek to pass on faith and hope to those coming behind him? How were Joseph's final words a statement of faith for the future?



SCRIPTURE: PSALM 105:16-22

Lasting Lessons From The Life of Joseph



Many years ago, my pastor said to me that there were two types of Christians in the world - those who use God, and those who allow God to use them. Joseph was a man who simply allowed God to use him right where he was. The challenge is not to be used of God, but to stay usable! **God wants to use us all**, and God will use everything in our lives that is yielded to Him.

Psalm 105, one of the historical psalms, contains a powerful commentary on the life we have just studied. It is important to note that the experience of Joseph is one chapter in the larger story of God's work in this world through His people. If you are a servant of the Lord, you are a part of something much bigger than yourself.

1. God uses difficulty. In Psalm 105:14-15, we are told that God protected His people from harm. Yet in the verses that follow we read that Israel collectively and Joseph personally were affected by hard things. Remember that the same all-powerful, all-wise God who can keep the enemy from harming us may also allow problems to come into our lives. It is all part of His plan. God used a **famine** to touch the nation. The sufficient God turned the land of plenty into a land of poverty to accomplish His purpose. 19 times in Scripture the word famine is connected to the life of Joseph. No one would choose the famine! But in the famine, we realize that we are nothing and He is everything. Every famine, of any type, is a reminder that we need God.

God used **fetters** to touch his servant. Certainly there was pain involved in the imprisonment of Joseph. Scripture says, "*Whose feet they hurt with fetters*..." At times God will use physical issues to teach us spiritual realities. The rest of the verse says, "...*he was laid in iron*." This is more than physical - this is emotional. The chains affected his body and his soul. Yet those iron fetters were putting some iron in his heart, a strong faith, that would be needed in the next season of life.

2. God uses people. From the Egyptian perspective, to be a slave was a hopeless situation. Once a slave, always a slave. But in divine providence, God had him right where he needed to be! Yes, he was "sold for a servant" but there are no insignificant people in God's plan. The Lord even used a wicked woman, an angry Potiphar, and a forgetful butler to accomplish the will of God in Joseph's life!

You may feel bound as Joseph did, but God is never bound! He is at work. He will use others in your life and then He will turn and use you in the lives of others. A prisoner, a slave, would become the prime minister of Egypt! And God would use the least likely man in the nation to rule (v. 21), to conquer (v. 22a), and to teach (v. 22b). Never discount what God can do through common people.

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3. God uses time. Of course, God's eternal plan is not seen in a moment of time or accomplished quickly. The psalmist says, "*Until the time that his word came*…" God has a perfect time for everything - and it is not always on our schedule! The Lord was preparing Joseph, preparing Egypt, and preparing Israel for what He was about to do. He is always working on all fronts.

God's timing is just as much a part of His will as the person, the place, or the assignment. He is not early, and He is never late. In God's time it will all be made clear.

4. God uses His Word. Verse 19 says, "*Until the time that his word came; the word of the LORD tried him.*" God's promises sustained Joseph through seasons of suffering and waiting. You may not see it now, but you can believe that everything God has promised, He will bring to pass. On his deathbed, Joseph was still quoting the Word of God to his children (Genesis 50:24-25). It had been his meditation at every step along the journey.

The Lord will use everything He brings into your life, and He wants to use you! Our God wastes nothing. Place your life in His hands and live every day consciously in His presence. The Lord is with you.

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APPENDIX A

30 Days In God's Presence

This is not the end of the subject-there is no end to the presence of God! My prayer is that this little book will encourage you to continue seeking the Lord and following Him. In addition to the many Scriptures referenced throughout the preceding pages, the following verses in both the Old and New Testaments have been selected to help you continue your study of the presence of God. Meditate on one of the following passages each day over the next month. Each prayer, promise, and principle will help you to be more conscious of God's presence. God is the all-present God and very present with His people. We must seek each day to live in the light of His presence.

Genesis 28:10-22	Psalm 95:1-2	John 14:16-27
Exodus 33:12-23	Psalm 100:1-5	John 15:1-7
Deuteronomy 31:6-8	Psalm 139:1-14	Acts 3:13-21
Joshua 1:8-9	Isaiah 57:15	Acts 17:24-31
Psalm 15:1-5	Jeremiah 23:23-24	1 Corinthians 3:16-17
Psalm 16:11	Jeremiah 29:11-13	Hebrews 4:14-16
Psalm 23:1-6	Jonah 1:1-10; 2:1-10	Hebrews 10:19-22
Psalm 27:1-14	Matthew 18:18-20	Hebrews 13:5-6
Psalm 46:1-11	Matthew 28:19-20	James 4:6-10
Psalm 73:1-28	John 1:14-18	1 John 4:12-16



APPENDIX B

A Month Through The Life Of Joseph

It is exciting to see Joseph in so many contexts and connected to so many different people, yet always living in the presence of the Lord. Follow Joseph through different locations, circumstances, and relationships and you will see that the constant of his life was his unchanging God.

- Genesis 37:1-11–Joseph and His Dreams
- Genesis 37:12-27–Joseph and His Betrayal
- Genesis 37:28-36–Joseph and the Midianites
- Genesis 39:1-6–Joseph and Potiphar
- Genesis 39:7-12–Joseph and His Temptation
- Genesis 39:13-23–Joseph and the Prison
- Genesis 40:1-23–Joseph and the Butler and Baker
- Genesis 41:1-16–Joseph and Pharoah
- Genesis 41:17-38–Joseph and the Interpretation
- Genesis 41:39-49–Joseph and Egypt
- Genesis 41:50-57–Joseph and His Children
- Genesis 42:1-17–Joseph and His Family
- Genesis 42:18-38–Joseph and His Secret
- Genesis 43:1-15–Joseph and His Brothers
- Genesis 43:16-34–Joseph and His Kindness

- Genesis 44:1-45:2–Joseph and the Revelation
- Genesis 45:3-15–Joseph and His Forgiveness
- Genesis 45:16-46:27–Joseph and the Children of Israel
- Genesis 46:28-47:12–Joseph and His Father
- Genesis 47:13-27–Joseph and the Famine
- Genesis 47:28-48:22–Joseph and the Blessing
- Genesis 49:22-26–Joseph and the Future
- Genesis 50:1-13–Joseph and His Mourning
- Genesis 50:14-21–Joseph and His Humility
- Genesis 50:22-26–Joseph and His Last Days
- Exodus 13:19; Joshua 24:32–Joseph and His Bones
- Deuteronomy 33:13-17; Judges 1:22–Joseph and His Descendants
- Psalm 105:16-23–Joseph and His Testimony
- Acts 7:9-18–Joseph and God's Plan
- Hebrews 11:22–Joseph and His Faith



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