

Sunday School Study Plan April 2024 with Dr. Dewayne Dickens and Mrs. Hazel Reed Topic for April 7, 14, 21, and 28 "Joseph in Egypt: Being in the Right Place for God's Blessing"

Week 1 (April 7): Joseph's Arrival in Egypt

Guiding Questions:

- How did Joseph's arrival in Egypt set the stage for God's blessings in his life? (Genesis 39:2-3)
- 2. In what ways did Joseph's integrity and faithfulness position him to receive God's favor in a foreign land? (Genesis 39:6-7)
- 3. How did Joseph's response to Potiphar's wife demonstrate his commitment to being in the right place for God's blessings? (Genesis 39:8-9)
- 4. What role did Joseph's resilience and trust in God play in his ability to overcome challenges and be blessed in Egypt? (Genesis 39:21-23)
- 5. How did Joseph's interpretation of dreams showcase his reliance on God's wisdom and guidance for blessings in his life? (Genesis 40:8)

Week 2 (April 14): Joseph's Rise to Power

WEEKLY HOMEWORK

- 1. READ TEXT FOR THE WEEK
- 2. USE A STUDY APPROACH TO RE-READ TEXT FOR PERSONAL AND BIBLICAL CONNECTIONS
 - A. CONSIDER 3 INSIGHTS, 2 SIGNIFICANT VERSES, AND ONE KEY WORD FOR DISCUSSION
 - B. USE BIBLICAL COMMENTARIES ON TEXT TO GIVE CONTEXT OR BACKGROUND
 - C. REVIEW VARIED TRANSLATIONS TO COMPARE MEANINGS
- 3. CONNECT LESSONS TO SERMONS FROM PAST DECADES AND LAST SEVERAL MONTHS

Guiding Questions:

- 1. Discuss how Joseph's interpretation of Pharaoh's dreams led to his promotion and authority in Egypt. (Genesis 41:14-16)
- 2. How did Joseph's preparation and foresight during the years of plenty reflect his understanding of being in the right place for God's blessings? (Genesis 41:46-49)
- 3. In what ways did Joseph's forgiveness and reconciliation with his brothers illustrate the importance of being in alignment with God for blessings to flow? (Genesis 45:4-8)
- 4. How did Joseph's compassion and generosity towards his family exemplify the blessings that come from being in God's appointed place? (Genesis 47:11-12)
- 5. Reflect on how Joseph's humility and recognition of God's sovereignty played a role in his blessings despite his circumstances in Egypt. (Genesis 47:27-28)

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Week 3 (April 21): Joseph's Family Reunion

Guiding Questions:

- 1. How did Joseph's reunion with his family fulfill the promise of God's blessings despite the challenges he faced in Egypt? (Genesis 45:9-11)
- 2. Discuss the significance of Joseph revealing his identity to his brothers as a pivotal moment in the narrative of blessings and divine providence. (Genesis 45:3)
- 3. In what ways did Joseph's forgiveness and grace towards his brothers reflect his understanding of God's plan for blessings even in times of adversity? (Genesis 50:19-21)
- 4. How did Joseph's reunion with Jacob and the rest of his family symbolize the restoration and fulfillment of God's blessings in their lives? (Genesis 46:29-30)
- 5. Reflect on the theme of reconciliation and restoration as key components of being in the right place for God's blessings in the story of Joseph. (Genesis 47:11-12)

Week 4 (April 28): Joseph's Legacy and God's Promises

- 1. Discuss the lasting impact of Joseph's faithfulness and obedience in the context of God's blessings for future generations. (Genesis 50:24-26)
- 2. How did Joseph's actions and character traits exemplify the principle of being in alignment with God to receive blessings throughout his life? (Genesis 41:38-40)
- 3. Reflect on the journey of Joseph from slavery to leadership as a testament to God's faithfulness in blessing those who remain steadfast in their faith. (Genesis 39:21-23)
- 4. In what ways did Joseph's story serve as a reminder of the importance of being in the right place spiritually and emotionally to experience God's blessings in abundance? (Genesis 41:55-57)
- 5. How does Joseph's narrative in Genesis 39-47 reinforce the theme that being in God's will and purpose is the ultimate key to receiving His blessings in every aspect of life? (Genesis 45:5-8)

Earn a Certificate for Joseph Studies

Complete the Joseph in Egypt review for a certificate. Save or print for your Sunday School April 2024 experience: <u>https://www.proprofs.com/quiz-school/ugc/story.php?title=joseph-in-</u> <u>egypt-being-the-right-place-for-gods-blessing</u>

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Self-Quiz Questions Genesis 37-50

- 1. What position did Joseph hold in Potiphar's house?
- 2. Who falsely accused Joseph of wrongdoing in Potiphar's house?
- 3. How did Joseph end up in Egypt?
- 4. What special ability did Joseph possess that helped him interpret dreams?
- 5. Which dream did Joseph interpret for Pharaoh?
- 6. How many years of plenty and famine did Pharaoh's dream reveal?
- 7. What was the name of the Pharaoh during Joseph's time in Egypt?
- 8. How did Joseph's interpretation of Pharaoh's dream lead to his promotion?
- 9. Who came to Egypt to buy grain during the famine?
- 10. Which of Joseph's brothers did he keep in Egypt as a test?
- 11. How did Joseph reveal his identity to his brothers?
- 12. What land did Pharaoh give to Joseph's family?
- 13. Who did Joseph request to bury him in the land of Canaan?
- 14. How many brothers did Joseph have in total?
- 15. What did Joseph's brothers initially plan to do with him before selling him to traders?
- 16. Who was the firstborn son of Jacob?
- 17. Which brother suggested selling Joseph instead of killing him?
- 18. What item of clothing did Joseph's brothers present to Jacob to deceive him about Joseph's fate?
- 19. Where did Joseph's brothers go to buy grain during the famine?
- 20. Who did Joseph accuse of stealing his silver cup?
- 21. How did Judah demonstrate his changed character and willingness to protect Benjamin?
- 22. What did Joseph use to test his brothers' honesty and character?
- 23. Which brother offered himself as a substitute for Benjamin's captivity?
- 24. How did Joseph ultimately reveal himself to his brothers?
- 25. What was Jacob's reaction when he learned Joseph was alive?
- 26. Who did Joseph bring to Egypt and introduce to Pharaoh?
- 27. What was the significance of Joseph's position in Egypt during the famine?
- 28. How did Joseph ensure the survival of his family during the famine?
- 29. What request did Jacob make before his death regarding his burial?
- 30. How did Joseph reassure his brothers after their father's death?
- 31. Who was the youngest son of Jacob?
- 32. What did Joseph promise to his brothers before his death?
- 33. How many years did Joseph live in Egypt?
- 34. What did Joseph request of his brothers before his death?
- 35. How did Joseph's family end up in Egypt?
- 36. What did Joseph instruct his brothers to tell Pharaoh about their occupation?
- 37. What did Joseph do to ensure that his family would be settled in Goshen?
- 38. What was the final request of the Israelites before Joseph's death?
- 39. How did Joseph's descendants end up in slavery in Egypt?
- 40. What was the significance of Joseph's life in the context of God's plan for the Israelites?

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