



Chapter 39, 40 & 41 - Questions

Flourishing in the Dungeon

The last 11 chapters of *Genesis* deal with the life of Joseph, after he was sold into slavery by his 10 brothers. Today's chapters show how Joseph was trained by God to be in a position of leadership, and why.

1. 39:1 If something similar happened to you, what would you do to try to survive?
2. 39:2-6 Why did Joseph become successful/prosperous as a slave?
3. How does the life of Joseph in Egypt "foreshadow" the experiences Israel as a nation would have in Egypt?

Joseph in Egypt	Israel in Egypt
1. Initially, because of God's blessing, he obtains a place of honor	
2. Unjustly punished, his crime being his moral integrity	
3. Raised up, eventually, as the one who, because God is with him, holds the future in his hands.	

4. 39:6-20 Why does Joseph have to go through suffering? Why do I?

(the whole book of I Peter will answer this question..especially
1:7, 2:20, 2:21-23, 3:14,15, 3:17. 4:1, 4:12,13, 4:15,16, 4:19, 5:10)

5. 39:21-40:22 What does God do with an impossible situation?
6. 40:23-41:13 Can you think of any verses which tell us why we have to wait?

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7. 41:14-57 Can you find a reason why Joseph was sent to Egypt as a slave and then went through so many trials and heartaches?
8. 41:46 How old was Joseph when he became 2nd in command?
9. How long had his "Leadership Training" time been? (37:2)
10. In review, what did God do to train Joseph for leadership?
11. What qualities did God develop in Joseph during this time?
12. Do you want to be a leader? Do you want your children or your grandchildren to be leaders? Do you want them to be people of great faith?