

Victory without Vengeance

Genesis 41:1-57

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1. God's dealings with Joseph v. 1-14
 - A. The **delays** were providential (verse 1)
 - 1.They focus our faith and increase our dependence.
 - B. The **dreams** were providential - verse 1b-8
 - 1.Kings rule **at the pleasure** of the Lord Pro. 21:1. *The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, Like the rivers of water; He turns it wherever He wishes.*
 - 2.Don't get your **doctrine** or your **duty** from dreams.
 - C. The **deliverance** was providential – verse 9-14
 - 1.God operates on **split second** timing.
2. God's dealings with Pharaoh – verses 15-36
 - A. He made him listen to **Joseph's powerful profession** - verses 15-32
 - 1.God used a dream to get Joseph in position in the Kingdom.
 - B. He had him install **Joseph's proactive plan** – verse 33-36
 - 1.God used a slave to set policy for the kingdom
3. God's dealings with Joseph's promotion verses 37-44
 - A. Joseph's received a **new position** – verses. 37-41
 - B. Joseph received **new power** – verses 42-44
 - C. Joseph received **new possessions** – verse 42
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 - 2.–
 - 3.–
 - 4.–
 - 5.–
 1. **Manasseh** – God has made me forget my affliction
 2. **Ephraim** – God has blessed me in spite of my suffering.

God is going to use your life for His glory, sometimes as a **victor**, sometimes as **victim**.