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*Joseph Is Taken From Pit To Pinnacle*

**Genesis 41:1-41**

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I. Pharaoh's Troubling Dreams (v1-8)

A. Pharaoh \_\_\_\_\_ .

Proverbs 21:1 (ESV) The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the Lord; he turns it wherever he will.

1 Timothy 2:1-3 (ESV) First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. 3 This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior,

John 19:10 & 11 (ESV) So Pilate said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?" 11 Jesus answered him, "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin."

Psalm 76:10 (ESV) Surely the wrath of man shall praise you; the remnant of wrath you will put on like a belt.

Jonah 3:8-10 (ESV) but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. 9 Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish."

10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

Jonah 4:11 (ESV) And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

B. Pharaoh \_\_\_\_\_ .

Daniel 4:5 (ESV) I saw a dream that made me afraid. As I lay in bed the fancies and the visions of my head alarmed me.

Jeremiah 8:15 (ESV) We looked for peace, but no good came; for a time of healing, but behold, terror.

C. Pharaoh \_\_\_\_\_ .

Psalm 50:21 & 22 (ESV) These things you have done, and I have been silent; you thought that I was one like yourself. But now I rebuke you and lay the charge before you. 22 "Mark this, then, you who forget God, lest I tear you apart, and there be none to deliver!

Joel 2:27 (ESV) You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God and there is none else. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

II. Joseph Is Summoned To Pharaoh (v9-14)

A. Joseph is \_\_\_\_\_ .

Proverbs 28:13 (ESV) Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Psalm 32:3-5 (ESV) For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. 4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah 5 I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah

B. Joseph is \_\_\_\_\_ .

Psalm 24:3 & 4 (ESV) Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?  
4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

Revelation 7:9 & 10 (ESV) After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Hebrews 12:28 & 29 (ESV) Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, 29 for our God is a consuming fire.

### III. Joseph Listens To Pharaoh's Dream (v15-24)

A. Joseph's \_\_\_\_\_ with Pharaoh.

1 Peter 3:15 (ESV) but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

Matthew 10:16 (ESV) "Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.

Isaiah 48:11 (ESV) For my own sake, for my own sake, I do it, for how should my name be profaned? My glory I will not give to another.

B. Pharaoh's sad \_\_\_\_\_ .

Psalm 22:11 (ESV) Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

Psalm 18:4-6 (ESV) The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me; 5 the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me. 6 In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

### IV. Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams (v25-36)

A. God's \_\_\_\_\_ .

Psalm 19:1-3 (ESV) The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. 2 Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. 3 There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.

Hebrews 1:1-3 (ESV) Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

2 Timothy 3:16 & 17 (ESV) All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Psalm 19:11 (ESV) Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

Isaiah 45:4-7 (ESV) For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. 5 I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, 6 that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. 7 I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the Lord, who does all these things.

B. The warning.

Jonah 3:4 & 5 (ESV) Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

Daniel 4:27 (ESV) Therefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable to you: break off your sins by practicing righteousness, and your iniquities by showing mercy to the oppressed, that there may perhaps be a lengthening of your prosperity."

### C. The advice.

2 Timothy 4:2 (ESV) preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

Genesis 45:7 & 8 (ESV) And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8 So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

### V. Joseph Is Elevated (v37-41)

A. \_\_\_\_\_ of Pharaoh.

1. Plan for \_\_\_\_\_ .

Philippians 2:3 (ESV) Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

Esther 10:3 (ESV) For Mordecai the Jew was second in rank to King Ahasuerus, and he was great among the Jews and popular with the multitude of his brothers, for he sought the welfare of his people and spoke peace to all his people.

2. Fruit of \_\_\_\_\_ .

Matthew 5:16 (ESV) In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Philippians 2:12–16 (ESV) Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. 14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing, 15 that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, 16 holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.

3. Wisdom from \_\_\_\_\_ .

James 3:17 & 18 (ESV) But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open

to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. 18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

Proverbs 9:10 (ESV) The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ of Joseph. (40 & 41)

Daniel 11:32 (ESV) He shall seduce with flattery those who violate the covenant, but the people who know their God shall stand firm and take action.

Ephesians 3:20 & 21 (ESV) Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.