

Water of Life Community Church

JOURNEY INTO DESTINY

THE LIFE OF JOSEPH

WEEK #4

GENESIS 39

ICE BREAKER

PRAYER

WORSHIP

INTRODUCTION

The life of Joseph was a journey from shepherd to king. Starting as a favorite among 11 siblings, he moved to being a slave and sold into service. While God's hand was on him, there seemed to be forces continually getting Joseph in trouble, and for doing the right thing! Let's see what happens next!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Unpack the biblical text to discover what the Scripture says or means about a particular topic.

1. READ GENESIS 39:1-20.

- a. Joseph was sold as a slave. What was his attitude to his new owner?
- b. Talk about a time when you were put into a situation you did not like and had to submit to the circumstances. What was your attitude to your new situation?
- c. Why do you think Potiphar did not have Joseph executed?
- d. How long was Joseph in prison before the Chief Jailer turned over the prison to Joseph?

2. READ GENESIS 39:21-23.

- a. Joseph was in prison for years. Why do you think he continued to walk in integrity?
- b. Do you think God could have released Joseph sooner? Why do you think He did not?
- c. Read Romans 5:3-5. Why do you think Joseph needed to have hope? Do you think his hope saved his family? His family who became a nation?
- d. What is one word can you think of that would describe Joseph's attitude toward God in the midst of all that went wrong in Joseph's life while he was doing the right thing?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

- Have you ever blamed God for your hard times? Take time now and confess to Him. Surrender to His leading, and let God grow character in you.
- Are you in a difficult situation now? Surrender to Him and let God lead you.

TAKING IT HOME

This week, keep an eye out for someone around you that may be suffering. Pray for them and ask God to show you what you might be able to do for them, then do it. Blessings!

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MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 39:23

"...the Lord was with him; and the Lord made whatever he did prosper."