

PROMOTION BY FIRE

A. HIGHLY FAVORED by JACOB and GOD

1. Coat of many colors. Gen 37:3
2. 2 dreams. Gen 37:5-7,9

B. CHALLENGE

1. Put in pit (10 older brothers). Gen 37:23-24
2. Sold to Midianites. Gen 37:28
3. Sold to Potiphar of Egypt. Gen 37:36

C. GOD'S BLESSINGS

1. Overseer over all that was Potiphar's (except wife). Gen 39:4-5
2. The Lord with Joseph with grace and prosperity. Gen 39:2-4
3. The Lord blessed Potiphar for Joseph's sake. Gen 39:5-6

D. CHALLENGE

1. Potiphar's wife---a woman scorned. Gen 39:7-18
2. Put in prison because of the lies of Potiphar's wife. Gen 39:19-20

E. GOD'S BLESSINGS

1. The Lord was with him with mercy and favor. Gen 39:21
2. Keeper of the prison made him #2 man in the prison. Gen 39:21-23
3. By God he interpreted dreams of Butler and Baker. Gen 40:1-23

F. CHALLENGE

1. Chief Butler forgot Joseph for 2 full years. Gen 40:23--41:1
2. Pharaoh's 2 dreams needing interpretation. Gen 41:1-32

G. GOD'S BLESSINGS

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| 1. Joseph was called to interpret (now 30 years old). | Gen 41:14 |
| 2. By God he interpreted & recommended plan of action. | Gen 41:15-36 |
| 3. Pharaoh made him #2 man in all of Egypt. | Gen 41:37-44 |
| 4. Wife and 2 sons. | Gen 41:45,50-52 |
| 5. God had a plan. | Gen 45:5-8 |
| 6. Forgiveness and reconciliation. | Gen 45:15 |

H. GOD'S WORD upon WHICH WE CAN ALL RELY

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| 1. Acknowledge and trust in the Lord.... | Psalms 37:1-9 |
| 2. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.... | Isaiah 11:2 |
| 3. God had a plan. | Gen 45:5-8 |
| 4. Lord of the Breakthrough (Jehovah Baal-perazim)!! | 1 Chron 14:11 |
| 5. Suddenly!! / Immediately!! | John 6:21 |
| 6. Be content in all things. | Phil 4:11 AmpC |
| 7. God never leaves us nor forsakes us!! | Deut 31:6 |
| | Joshua 1:5 |
| | Heb 13:5 |