



HEBREWS 11:22

“By faith Joseph, when his end was near, spoke about the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and gave instructions about his bones.”



THE ANCIENTS WERE  
COMMENDED:  
GRACED YET GROUNDED

Genesis 37-50 selections

# INTRO TO JOSEPH – GEN 37

Son of Jacob (later called Israel, Gen. 32)

At 17, brought a bad report about his brothers Vs. 2

Jacob's favorite Vs. 3

As a result, hated by his brothers Vs. 4

The dreamer Vss. 5-11

37:17B - 36

## The Cistern and the Sale

“Let’s kill him!”

“Nah. Let’s throw him in a pit.”

“Wait! We can sell him.”

On to Potiphar’s house

# JOSEPH FACES 'LIES, ALL LIES' – GEN 39

Back on the mountaintop! For a moment...

“The Lord was with Joseph and he prospered...”

Vss. 2-6

She lies. (Vss. 7-19) and he goes to prison. Vs. 20

“But while Joseph was there in the prison, the Lord was with him...” Vss. 21-23

## CHAPTER 40

The cupbearer and the baker

“Interpretations belong to God” (Vs. 9)

“But when all goes well with you, remember me and show me kindness. Mention me to Pharoah and get me out of this prison.” Vs. 14

Innocent, yet forgotten, for two full years Vs. 23

## CHAPTER 41

Vss. 8-14 No one could interpret Pharoah's dream. Cupbearer comes through. Joseph moves from prison to penthouse.

Joseph remains humble (Vs. 16) and God exalts him (vss. 37-43)

See also James 4:7-10





Joseph 'remembers the ant' (Prov. 7:6-8)

41:47-49

Abundance is over. Famine begins.

41:53-54

Storehouses open first to Egyptians and then to  
surrounding countries

41:56-57



In chapters 42-44 - at Jacob's urging - Joseph's brothers end up traveling to Egypt as well

“I have heard that there is grain in Egypt. Go down there and buy some for us, that we may live and not die.” 42:2

Ahhh...God has a plan for the children of Israel