

Genesis 39 **God is With Joseph**



Genesis 39:1-6

¹ Now Joseph had been brought down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, had bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there.² The LORD was with Joseph, and he became a successful man, and he was in the house of his Egyptian master.³ His master saw that **the Lord was with him** and that the LORD caused all that he did to succeed in his hands. ⁴ So Joseph found favor in his sight and attended him, and he made him overseer of his house and put him in charge of all that he had.

Genesis 39:1-6

⁵ From the time that he made him overseer in his house and over all that he had, **the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake**; **the blessing of the LORD was on all that he had**, in house and field. ⁶ So he left all that he had in Joseph's charge, and because of him he had no concern about anything but the food he ate. Now Joseph was handsome in form and appearance.

Genesis 39:20-23

²⁰ And Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined, and he was there in prison.²¹ But the Lord was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison.²² And the keeper of the prison put Joseph in charge of all the prisoners who were in the prison. Whatever was done there, he was the one who did it. ²³ The keeper of the prison paid no attention to anything that was in Joseph's charge, because the LORD was with him. And whatever he did, the LORD made it succeed.

God's Presence Brings Success/Blessing

The LORD was with Joseph, and he became a successful man v2

His master saw that **the LORD was with him** and that **the LORD caused all that he did to succeed** in his hands v3

The keeper of the prison paid no attention to anything that was in Joseph's charge, **because the LORD was with him**. v23

How is His Presence Known?

Seeking Him

Walking in His Ways/Commandments

2 Chron 26:5 He (*Uzziah*) set himself to seek God in the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God, and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him prosper.

2 Chron 31:21 And every work that he (*Hezekiah*) undertook in the service of the house of God and in accordance with the law and the commandments, seeking his God, he did with all his heart, and prospered.

How is His Presence Known?

Joshua 1:8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

Psalm 1:1–3 ¹ Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; ² but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

Maybe Not the Blessings We Expect

Joseph's "Success" Comes During Trials (betrayed – a slave – a prisoner)

In the midst of your trials, where do you see God blessing?

Shared Blessings

...the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; the blessing of the LORD was on all that he had, in house and field. V5

The keeper of the prison paid no attention to anything that was in Joseph's charge v23

Joseph demonstrates the promise to Abraham in blessing "the nations."