Genesis 41 Joseph is Lifted Up

Joseph is Forgotten

Joseph – a slave, prisoner for 13 years Forgotten by Pharaoh's cupbearer

Forgotten by God?

Pharaoh's Dreams

7 Plump Cows/ 7 ears of grain = 7 years of abundance

7 Sickly Cows/7 blighted ears = 7 years of famine

God is at Work

God has revealed to Pharaoh what he is about to do. (26) God has shown to Pharaoh what he is about to do. (28) And the doubling of Pharaoh's dream means that the thing is fixed by God, and God will shortly bring it about. (32)

God's Spirit is Recognized in Joseph

Joseph – acknowledged it was God who gave him the interpretation

Pharaoh – recognizes God's presence and wisdom in Joseph

Pharaoh chooses Joseph

Joseph's New Perspective

Manasseh: God has made me forget all my hardship and my father's house.

Ephraim: God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction.

Joseph expresses his faith that God has been with him and has blessed him, even through the trials.

Trusting God to See You Through...

Rom 8:28 And we know that for those who love God **all things work together for good**, for those who are called according to his purpose.