

THIS WEEK AT THF

Tuesday

700-900pm ▶ **THF COLLEGE - Summer Bible Study**
Meets at THF

Wednesday

600-900pm ▶ **THF STUDENTS - Summer Nights**
Boys/Girls Bible Study & Space Jam at Premiere

Thursday

630-730am ▶ **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP & BIBLE STUDY**
Meets in the THF Mall

UPCOMING

JUL 25
THF Students:
Middle School Camp
Parent Meeting
10:45am in the Summit

AUG 8
Family Swim Night:
TX Tech Leisure Pool
7:30-9:30pm
Sign Ups begin July 25th

AUG 10- AUG 11
PBA Camp
Details & Registration to come

AUG 15
Promotion Sunday

Please continue to check all of our social media outlets
and our website for updates to weekly activities
and Sunday Services.
www.theheightsfellowship.org



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	<i>Week of 7/11/21</i>	<i>Year to Date</i>
Budget Giving	\$20,048.80	\$437,031.30
Budget Needs	\$16,403.00	\$459,284.00

Free wifi: THFGuest No password needed.



The Palace Promotion

Genesis 41

THIS HAS BEEN CALLED THE 'MOST PIVOTAL' EPISODE IN THE STORY OF JOSEPH - BUT IT IS GREATLY MISUNDERSTOOD

The grand misinterpretation of Genesis 41...

Finally, the moment when God makes everything RIGHT !

"If you stay faithful in the face of injustice...and mistreatment...it will all be made right someday. You'll get the position, power, the money, the car, and the girl!"

The real story of Joseph's life is not the *faithfulness* of Joseph, but the PROVIDENCE of God in the midst of all the injustice and silence and waiting.

The Providence of God

1) Providence in DELAYS

- Joseph goes from favored son to slave to head of state in 5 Chapters
- but it took OVER 13 YEARS ! **JOSEPH HAD NO IDEA GOD WAS WORKING IN THE LIFE OF JUDAH**

God is ALWAYS WORKING His plan - we should FOCUS our faith on Him and LEAN into Him when we find ourselves in a delay!

HOW DO YOU HANDLE THE 'WAITING ROOMS' OF LIFE?

2) Providence in DELIVERANCE

- Delivered from the MURDEROUS PLOT of his brothers
- Delivered into Potiphar's house
- Delivered into a specific jail
- Delivered into the ADMINISTRATION of Pharaoh

God always delivers His people...

BUT IT USUALLY DOESN'T LOOK LIKE WHAT WE THINK IT WILL

3) Providence in DREAMS

Three PAIRS of dreams figure in Joseph's story:

- The dreams of Joseph
- The dreams of the BUTLER and the BAKER
- The dreams of Pharaoh

God was communicating His plan to the world...

and only ONE guy recognized His voice!

JOSEPH REMEMBERED vv1-13

1 Now it happened at the end of two full years that Pharaoh had a dream...9 Then the chief cupbearer spoke to Pharaoh, saying, "I would make mention today of my own offenses. 10 Pharaoh was furious with his servants, and he put me in confinement in the house of the captain of the bodyguard, both me and the chief baker. 11 And we had a dream on the same night, he and I; each of us dreamed according to the interpretation of his own dream. 12 Now a Hebrew youth was with us there, a servant of the captain of the bodyguard, and we related them to him, and he interpreted our dreams for us.

Genesis 41:1,9-12

- ✓ It happened after two FULL years **SENSE OF A PLANNED TIME FRAME**
- ✓ It happened through a CRISIS

JOSEPH RECOMMENDED vv14-36

14 Then Pharaoh sent and called for Joseph, and they hurriedly brought him out of the dungeon...25 Now Joseph said to Pharaoh, "Pharaoh's dreams are one and the same; God has told to Pharaoh what He is about to do.

Genesis 41:14,25

See GOD in the details...

- ✓ He gave Pharaoh dreams
- ✓ God made Pharaoh ANXIOUS then DESPERATE
- ✓ He gave the counselors of Pharaoh BLANK minds
- ✓ He gave the butler RECALL
- ✓ He gave Joseph clarity, discernment, and a PLAN
- ✓ And Joseph gave GOD all the credit! v16,25,28,32

5X POINTS PHAROAH TO GOD

JOSEPH REVERED vv37-57

A POWERFUL SLAVE...BUT STILL A SLAVE

Many times we note this as the big PAYOFF for Joseph's commitment and faithfulness. The reality is that Joseph was *still* a SLAVE !

- service to Pharaoh/Potiphar is spoken of in SIMILAR language
 - Joseph was still not FREE to go home
- assets given to Joseph were attempts to make him LESS Hebrew

- ✓ Joseph chose COVENANT over CONVENIENCE
- ✓ He CHOSE grace over bitterness: Manasseh means "causing to FORGET "
- ✓ He LOOKED to what GOD did over what people did to him: Ephraim means "double fruitful"
- ✓ He chose the land of God's PROMISE over the land of man's PROFIT

[Joseph] said, "God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction." Genesis 41:52

HEB 11:22 LAUDS JOSEPH FOR THIS MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE