

Genesis 39:2

by Chuck Smith

The sermon highlights the evidences and results of God being with Joseph, and how we can apply these lessons to our own lives.

Scripture: Genesis 37:28, Genesis 39:2, Genesis 39:9, Genesis 39:21, Genesis 41:38-40, Genesis 50:20, Psalm 51:4, Romans 6:11, Philippians 4:13, 2 Timothy 2:22

Topics: "God's Presence", "Overcoming Temptation"

Description

Chuck Smith emphasizes that 'The Lord was with Joseph' throughout his life, showcasing how God's presence guided him from his youth, through slavery, temptation, imprisonment, and ultimately to power in Egypt. Despite facing hatred, betrayal, and false accusations, Joseph remained steadfast, recognizing that sin is ultimately against God. His ability to resist temptation and see adversity as a means for growth illustrates the profound impact of God's companionship. Smith encourages believers to be aware of God's presence in their lives, as it leads to victory and purpose in all circumstances.

Transcript

"THE LORD WAS WITH JOSEPH"

Intro: Scripture often sums up a man's life in a few words. "Abraham believed God."

Saul, "Behold I have played the fool." Moses was very meek.

I. EVIDENCES OF THE LORD BEING WITH HIM.

A. At home growing up.

1. Communicated to him through dreams.

2. Gave him favored position.

B. When sold as slave.

1. "And prospered him."

2. Made ruler over the house.

3. Everything entrusted into his hand.

C. When in temptation.

1. His masters wife daily sought to seduce him.

2. How easy it would have been to yield. Solomon said, "For she hath cast down many wounded, many strong men have been slain by her."

3. How can I do this great wickedness?

a. It may be common practice in world.

b. I am a child of God not of world.

c. "How can we who are dead to sin..."

4. "And sin against God."

a. Not sin against Potiphar.

b. Not sin against you.

c. Sin is against God.

1. Psalm 51.

2. We need as Joseph to be more aware of presence of God.

5. Flight from her presence smartest and bravest thing he could His do.

a. Paul to Timothy, "Flee youthful lusts."

D. When in prison. (verse 21..

1. Showed him mercy, gave him favor.

2. That which he did the Lord made prosper.

E. When before Pharaoh.

1. Able to interpret dream.

2. He was recognized as a man in whom the spirit of God is.

3. Placed 2nd in command over Egypt.

II. THE RESULTS OF GOD BEING WITH HIM.

A. What it did not do.

1. Keep him from being hated by brothers.

2. Keep him from being sold as slave.
 3. Keep him from most powerful temptation.
 4. Keep him from false accusations.
 5. Keep him from imprisonment.
 - a. "Whose feet they hurt with fetters, he was laid in iron."
 - b. Keep him from disappointment.
- B. What it did do.
1. Kept him from sin.
 2. Caused him to see adversity in a new light.
 - a. "You meant it for evil."
 3. Gave him victory in all circumstances.
 4. Caused him to reign.

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