## "Joseph Hated" • Genesis 37

Mt. Lassen Community Church • November 9, 2025

Intro • How do you react when everything is going against you?

Opening • Acts 7:9–10, 51–52 • Stephen calls Joseph a\_\_\_\_\_\_

Vs 1–2 • Joseph brings a bad report about his brothers

**Discuss** • Was Joseph right or wrong to "snitch" on his brothers? Consider: how old would these sons be if Joseph is 17y?

Vs 3-4 • Jacob favors Joseph

His brother's reaction:

**Discuss** • Was Jacob right or wrong to "play favorites" with his sons? Remember: Isaac favoring Esau, and Jacob favoring Rachel.

Vs 5–11 • Joseph's dreams, seeing himself exalted over his family

Their reactions:

**Discuss** • Should Joseph have shared these divine visions? (Amos 3:7–8)

Vs 12-17 • Joseph seeks for his brothers at Shechem

**Discuss** • Why would Jacob have been so concerned about his sons taking the herds to Shechem? (hint: see **Genesis 34!**)

Vs 18–20 • Jacob's sons plot to murder Joseph

Vs 21–22 • Reuben plans to rescue Joseph from their scheme

Vs 23-24 • Joseph is cast into the pit

Vs 25–28 • Judah's plan: sell Joseph off for 20 shekels, as a slave

Vs 29–35 • Reuben and Jacob are both grieved when Joseph is lost

**Vs 36** • God's big plan—get Joseph to Egypt to save the world!

Joseph announced the coming of the Righteous One (Acts 7:52) → Like Joseph, Jesus...

Sonship
Servanthood
Younger Brother
Hated without cause
Jealous & insulted brothers
Plotted against
Sold for price of a slave
Had a "Judas"
Turned over to Gentiles
Mocked for His words
Had a "Reuben" working for His release
Garment stripped from Him
A blood–soaked garment
Cast into the pit
Grief and mourning
Enemies meant it for evil; God meant it for good
Empty tomb (pit) brought distress
From the lowest place to the highest place
The Savior of the World; the Bread of Life
→ Personal application: When we find ourselves in the "pits"—keep trusting & waiting! His salvation approaches, with joy (Isaiah 25:9)

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