



And they said to him, "We each have had a dream, and there is **no interpreter** of it."

So Joseph said to them, "Do not **interpretations belong to God?** Tell them to me, please."

Genesis 40:8 (NKJV)

Can God speak to people through dreams today?

'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.

Acts 2:17

The Bible is complete, having revealed everything we need to know from now until eternity.

So, anything God says, whether through a dream, vision, impression, or "still small voice," it will **agree completely** with what He has **already revealed in His Word.**

Dreams cannot usurp the authority of Scripture.

But **remember me** when it **is well with you**, and please **show kindness to me;** **make mention of me** to Pharaoh, and **get me out of this house.** For indeed I was stolen away from the land of the Hebrews; and also I have done nothing here that they should put me into the dungeon."

Genesis 40:14-15 (NKJV)

God did work for his release, but not according to Joseph's timeline, rather, it was according to God's timeline.

The **three baskets are three days.** Within **three days** Pharaoh will lift off your head from you and **hang you on a tree;** and the **birds will eat your flesh** from you."

Genesis 40:18-19

If you're going to speak for the Lord, you better be willing to give the full counsel that God gives you, whether it's good news or bad.

The mark of a godly messenger, is one who does not fail to bring the whole message of God.

Unfortunately there are many churches who no longer give the full counsel of God's word and omit teaching on sin, judgment, and hell.

Then he restored the chief butler to his butlership again, and he placed the cup in Pharaoh's hand. But he hanged the chief baker, as Joseph had interpreted to them. Yet the chief butler did not remember Joseph, but forgot him. Genesis 40:20-23

God isn't focused on Joseph's immediate happiness, but rather that His will is accomplished.

Genesis 40:23 chief butler.....forgot him.

If things don't work out exactly like you planned.....
do you murmur against the Lord and challenge His purposes....
or do you, like Joseph, trust God & focus on the work He has for you to accomplish, right here, right now?

And the ugly and gaunt cows ate up the seven fine looking and fat cows.



So Pharaoh awoke. He slept and dreamed a second time; and suddenly seven heads of grain came up on one stalk, plump and good.



Then the chief butler spoke to Pharaoh, saying: "I remember my faults this day.



During the times we think God isn't doing anything, we need to realize that He is doing the work most important to Him:

He is developing our character and transforming us into the image of Jesus Christ.

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. But I have heard it said of you that you can understand a dream, to interpret it."

So Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, "It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace."

Genesis 41:15-16 (NKJV)

If God uses you, be thankful and **give God the glory and the credit** that God even used you.

And it's always a **sad day** when **people try to take credit** for **God's work**.

It's always **dangerous** when **you take the bows for God**.

Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is **no one** as **discerning and wise** as you. **You** shall be **over my house**, and **all my people** shall be **ruled according to your word**; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you."

Genesis 41:39-40 (NKJV)

It is amazing that the Pharaoh believes he is picking a man to accomplish his will, but what is really happening is that **God is moving in the heart of Pharaoh**, "**Like the rivers of water; turning it to wherever He wishes**" to pick His man, Joseph, to accomplish His will, to further His plan.