

Be Humble

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*Humility is remembering
**WHERE the blessing is FROM
and WHO the blessing is FOR.***

Genesis 37:2-4

² This is the account of Jacob and his family. When Joseph was seventeen years old, he often tended his father's flocks. He worked for his half brothers . . . but Joseph reported to his father some of the bad things his brothers were doing. ³ Jacob loved Joseph more than any of his other children because Joseph had been born to him in his old age. So one day Jacob had a special gift made for Joseph - a coat of many colors. ⁴ But his brothers hated Joseph because their father loved him more than the rest of them. They couldn't say a kind word to him.

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Genesis 12:1-3

¹ The Lord had said to Abraham, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. ² I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. ³ I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."

Q: Where was the blessing from?

*Joseph didn't EARN the
blessing - he RECEIVED it.*

Genesis 37:5-8

⁵ One night Joseph had a dream, and when he told his brothers about it, they hated him more than ever. ⁶ “Listen to this dream,” he said. ⁷ “We were out in the field, tying up bundles of grain. Suddenly my bundle stood up, and your bundles all gathered around and bowed low before mine!” ⁸ His brothers responded, “So you think you will be our king, do you? Do you actually think you will reign over us?” And they hated him all the more because of his dreams and the way talked about them.

Every dreamer has a HATER.

Genesis 37:9-11

⁹ Soon Joseph had another dream, and again he told his brothers about it. “Listen, I have had another dream,” he said. “The sun, moon, and eleven stars bowed low before me!” ¹⁰ This time he told his dream to his father as well as to his brothers, but his father scolded him. “What kind of dream is that?” He asked. “Will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow to the ground before you?” ¹¹ But while his brothers were jealous of Joseph, his father wondered what the dreams meant.

The Problem with our Dreams.

- Our dreams are too small.
- Our character is too weak.

How do you know if it's a God dream?

- A God dream will align with God's Word.
- A God dream will bless others.
- A God dream will keep God at the center.
- A God dream will require God's help.

Q: What's your God Dream?

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Q: Who was the blessing for?

Every blessing from God is for OTHERS.

Genesis 37:14-20

¹⁴ “Go and see how your brothers and the flocks are getting along,” Jacob said. “Then come back and bring me a report.”

¹⁸ When Joseph’s brothers saw him coming, they recognized him in the distance. As he approached they made plans to kill him.

¹⁹ “Here comes the dreamer!” they said. ²⁰ “Come on, let’s kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns. We can tell our father, ‘A wild animal has eaten him.’ Then we’ll see what becomes of his dreams!”

PRIDE is the root of every SIN.

Genesis 37:23-28

²³ So when Joseph arrived, his brothers ripped off the beautiful robe he was wearing. ²⁴ Then they grabbed him and threw him into the cistern. Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it. ²⁵ Then, just as they were sitting down to eat, they looked up and saw a caravan of camels coming in the distance toward them. ²⁶ Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain by killing our brother? His blood would just give us a guilty conscience. ²⁷ Instead of hurting him, let's sell him to those Ishmaelite traders. After all, he is our own flesh and blood!" And his brothers agreed. ²⁸ So when the Ishmaelites, who were Midianite traders, came by, Joseph's brothers pulled him out of the cistern and sold him to them for twenty pieces of silver. And the traders took him to Egypt.

*God sent the ANSWER before
there was a PROBLEM.*

Genesis 37:31-36

³¹ Then the brothers killed a young goat and dipped Joseph's robe in its blood. ³² They sent the beautiful robe to their father with this message: "Look at what we found. Doesn't this robe belong to your son?" Their father recognized it immediately. "Yes," he said, "it is my son's robe. A wild animal must have eaten him. Joseph has clearly been torn to pieces!" ³⁴ Then Jacob tore his clothes and dressed himself in burlap. He mourned deeply for his son for a long time. ³⁶ Meanwhile, the Midianite traders arrived in Egypt, where they sold Joseph to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. Potiphar was captain of the palace guard.

*God will never USE you greatly
until he BREAKS you deeply.*

Q: What's your God-Dream?

Q: What is God doing in your life to humble you?