

# Genesis 36-37

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## SERMON NOTES

### Genesis

In the beginning...

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## Genesis 36

Biblical genealogies remind us of:

1. The scent and smack of history
2. The source of all human life
3. The significance of each human life
4. The connectivity of all human persons
5. The spiritual longings of humanity
6. God's unfolding plan of redemption

## Genesis 37

That Time the Dream Became a Nightmare...



## **Genesis 37**

That Time the Dream Became a Nightmare...

1. A warning against parental favoritism
2. A reminder to read the room
3. Our longing for a perfect love
4. God is always at work, sometimes silently but nonetheless sovereignly, working out His plans and purposes, often despite our immaturity, foolishness, and even our wickedness.

*“It is sad when some people with the best of motives, eager to protect the doctrine of the sovereignty of God, forget the glory of God’s genius in creating human beings capable of responding to Him in trust and obedience. It is equally sad when others so stress human freedom that they make no space for the glory of God’s providence.”*

- John Lennox, *Joseph*

*“Joseph was going through an experience which was to become a major theme of the Bible. The godly Servant was despised and rejected, only to become the rescuer of those who abused him; the Lord’s shepherd was underrated, was struck down and his sheep scattered, but the ‘sheep’ found they were the Lord’s people; the way of the cross involved for Jesus betrayal by a friend, as well as agony and death, but it was the way to life for all believers.”*

- Joyce G. Baldwin, *The Message of Genesis*

*“Blot out every other reflection from your soul, and sit down by the hour together, and meditate deeply on this one resplendent display of unmerited, unexpected, unexampled love, ‘Christ died for the ungodly.’”*

- Charles H. Spurgeon