What's something that happened in 2024 that you wouldn't have planned, but you're glad happened?

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STORIES OF SOVEREIGNTY

GENESIS 37-50

Genesis 37 ESV

- Joseph is favored by his father Jacob
- His brothers are jealous and hate him
- The brothers conspire to kill Joseph
- Instead of killing him, they sell him to traders, who sell him in Egypt
- The brothers make Jacob believe Joseph has been killed by an animal

Genesis 39 ESV

- Joseph is bought by Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh
- Potiphar's wife tries to seduce Joseph, who resists
- Potiphar's wife falsely accuses Joseph of seducing her
- Joseph is thrown in prison

Genesis 39 ESV

21 But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. 22 And the keeper of the prison put Joseph in charge of all the prisoners who were in the prison. Whatever was done there, he was the one who did it.

Genesis 40 ESV

- A cupbearer and baker are thrown into the prison
- Joseph interprets their dreams, and his interpretations turn out to be accurate

Genesis 41 ESV

- Two years later, Pharaoh is troubled by a dream
- The cupbearer remembers Joseph and tells Pharaoh
- Pharaoh brings Joseph out of prison
- Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dream and warns of a coming famine
- Pharaoh, pleased, gives Joseph authority over the land
- The famine comes, and Egypt is prepared

Genesis 42-45 ESV

- Jacob sends his sons to Egypt to get food in the midst of the famine
- Joseph recognizes his brothers, but they do not recognize him

Genesis 45:4-8 ESV

4 So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. **5** And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. **6** For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. 7 And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8 So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Genesis 49-50 ESV

- Jacob dies
- Joseph's brothers fear that Joseph will hate them now that their father is dead

Genesis 50 ESV

20 As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.21 So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Romans 8:28 ESV

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.





