

Going Further
For the week of Oct. 29, 2023
Questions and Scriptures for further study

1. Read Genesis 41. What is it about dreams, or these dreams, that causes Pharaoh to be so troubled by them? How does this situation set in motion the events that get Joseph out of prison?

2. What stands out to you about what Joseph does as he interacts with Pharaoh? How would you describe the kind of person he now is?

3. Describe Joseph's new role. What perks and privileges have come with this role? What is significant about the names he gives to his sons? What insight does this give you into how Joseph is understanding what has happened to him?

4. How has Joseph grown and changed since we met him in Genesis 37? How have you experienced God using a difficult time or season in your life to prepare for a later responsibility? How can Joseph's experience help you persevere through hardship and testing when you don't see the end, reward, or reason?

5. It took 13 years of Joseph being a slave or prisoner before he is now exalted to second place in Egypt. Where were you 13 years ago? What has God done during that time to shape and mold your character? How has he prepared you for this time in your life?

Family Devo: Read Genesis 41 together. Talk about the sudden change of circumstances God brings to Joseph. How has Joseph's experiences in Egypt prepared him for the role he now has? Talk together about how God can use hard experiences in our life to prepare us for something in the future. Share any experiences those in your family have had of this.