

TAKE HOME SHEET



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Message: Stop Fooling Yourself
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Take some time and read the historical account of Joseph's adventure. You will find it in Genesis, the first book of the Bible, chapters 37, 39-45 and 47-50.

As you read look for choices the various people make and see which ones are wise. List them here:

Look for choices that are foolish and evil and list them here:

As Joseph faced the troubles that came his way, he consistently relied on God and made wise and faith-filled choices. What do you think motivated him to do that and not take unwise short cuts?

What are you currently facing where you have the choice to trust God or go another direction?

⁵ *Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.*
⁶ *Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.*
⁷ *Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.*
Proverbs 3:5-7 (NLT)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

MSG – The Message
NIV – New International Version
NLT – New Living Translation

MESSAGE NOTES



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¹⁰ *We live for seventy years or so
(with luck we might make it to eighty),
And what do we have to show for it? Trouble.
Toil and trouble and a marker in the graveyard.*

¹² *Oh! Teach us to live well!*

Teach us to live wisely and well!

Psalm 90:10&12 (MSG)

**The Bible gives us understanding of why we
encounter pain and trouble in our lives.**

There are five sources:

1. Dumb choices
2. Sin
3. Results of the “fall”
4. Satan
5. God

*Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true
knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and
discipline.*

Proverbs 1:7 (NLT)

**The example of Joseph is in the Old
Testament, Genesis 37-50.**

*You intended to harm me, but God intended it
for good to accomplish what is now being done,
the saving of many lives.*

Genesis 50:20 (NIV)

⁹ *These patriarchs were jealous of their brother
Joseph, and they sold him to be a slave in
Egypt. But God was with him ¹⁰ and rescued him
from all his troubles. And God gave him favor
before Pharaoh, king of Egypt. God also gave
Joseph unusual wisdom, so that Pharaoh
appointed him governor over all of Egypt and put
him in charge of the palace.*

Acts 7:9–10 (NLT)