

TAKE HOME SHEET



Speaker: Sam Price

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This is a great time to read Genesis 37–50.

Think about your story. What is your story?

In Joseph's story, do you identify with one of the three stages or positions he was in (on his knees, tired yet preserving, and hands lifted praising God)?

Maybe you're in the middle of your story. What can you pray for this week? Maybe it's courage, strength, wisdom, or guidance.

Is there someone in your life that you can share your story with this week?

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation



MESSAGE NOTES



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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 in the distance coming toward them. It was a group of Ishmaelite traders taking a load of gum, balm, and aromatic resin from Gilead down to Egypt. ²⁶ Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain by killing our brother? We'd have to cover up the crime. 27 Instead of hurting him, let's sell him to those Ishmaelite traders. After all, he is our brother—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. Genesis 37:23-28 (NLT)

God hears your frantic prayers in your desperate times.

¹ When Joseph was taken to Egypt by the Ishmaelite traders, he was purchased by Potiphar, an Egyptian officer. Potiphar was captain of the guard for Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. 2 The Lord was with Joseph, so he succeeded in everything he did as he served in the home of his Egyptian master. ³ Potiphar noticed this and realized that the Lord was with Joseph, giving him success in everything he did. ⁴ This pleased Potiphar, so he soon made Joseph his personal attendant. He put him in charge of his entire household and everything he owned. 5 From the day Joseph was put in charge of his master's household and property, the Lord began to bless Potiphar's household for Joseph's sake. All his household affairs ran smoothly, and his crops and livestock flourished. Genesis 39:1-5 (NLT)

Even when you're tired, God still uses you to serve the Lord!

You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people.

Genesis 50:20 (NLT)

God redeems your stories for His good!