

Joseph – Family Matters

Romans 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to His purpose.

God uses every part of our lives to bring us into His will.

Genesis 37:1 Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan. ² This is the account of Jacob's family line.

Genesis 37:3 Now Israel (that's Jacob's other name) loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. ⁴ When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

The sins and mistakes of our parents, create trauma and patterns of behavior in us.

Galatians 6:2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Genesis 30:22-24 Then God remembered Rachel, and God listened to her and opened her womb. She conceived and bore a son and said, "God has taken away my reproach." And she called his name Joseph, saying, "May the LORD add to me another son!"

God hasn't forgotten you.

Don't believe the lie that God has rejected you.

Every Soul Matters To God.

Genesis 37:5 Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more.

Make room for God to speak to you.

Parents - Fan the flame of the gifts that God has given your kids.

Genesis 37:17 ...So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. ¹⁸ But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

¹⁹ “Here comes that dreamer!” they said to each other. ²⁰ “Come now, let’s kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we’ll see what comes of his dreams.”

Genesis 37:21 When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. “Let’s not take his life,” he said. ²² “Don’t shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the wilderness, but don’t lay a hand on him.” Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father.

Genesis 37:23 So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the ornate robe he was wearing— ²⁴ and they took him and threw him into the cistern.

Genesis 37:26 Judah said to his brothers, “What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood?²⁷ Come, let’s sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood.” His brothers agreed.

Genesis 37:34 Then Jacob tore his clothes, put on sackcloth and mourned for his son many days. ³⁵ All his sons and daughters came to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted. “No,” he said, “I will continue to mourn until I join my son in the grave.” So his father wept for him.

Sometimes, what looks like the end is really just the beginning.

Even your failures, mistakes, and sins can serve a redemptive purpose when God is working in your life.

God is far bigger than you think He is.