

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

Faithfulness Through All Generations - Genesis 41:1-57 - "God Prepares & Promotes Joseph"

1. Is there anything specific from this message that the Lord has impressed upon your heart?
If so, what is it & how do you feel the Lord calling you to respond?
2. Have you ever felt like you waited on the Lord for so long in a circumstance that you started questioning Him altogether?
What was the situation & what specifically were you hoping to receive in/from the Lord (an answer, deliverance, etc.)?
How did the situation ultimately play out and how did going through that season impact your faith in the Lord?
3. As you look at Joseph's story through the beginning of Genesis 41, he's been in a season filled with trials for 13 years:
What different trials has he faced, and how has his response been consistent with each of them and at every turn?
How does a right understanding of who God is and how God works help Joseph (and us) to endure hard times?
What are some ways that God has equipped us and tools He's provided to us in order to help us endure trials?
4. In what ways it is evident that Joseph was not forgotten by God, nor did he forget God in His life?
How does Joseph's response to Pharaoh in interpreting his dreams reveal Joseph's humble desire to glorify God?
As you consider Joseph's circumstances, (13 years of slavery, pain, & hardship) how do you think you would respond?
How does this story motivate you to look beyond your current circumstances to a better future?
How does an eternal perspective help us to consider a better future (& an ultimate end to our troubles)?
5. God positions Joseph to bless others (the entire world); what is our responsibility to seek this same end in Christ?
6. Below are the "Today's Takeaways" from the sermon. Do any of these encourage, convict, or challenge you, & if so, how?
God graciously reveals that which was hidden!
God has graciously revealed Himself in Jesus!
God and Joseph haven't forgotten each other!
God hasn't forgotten us; let's remember Him!
God gets all of the glory in all that Joseph does!
Let us give God all the glory that He deserves!
God works through Joseph to bless the world!
We are the light of the world; let's bless others!