

Resisting Temptation

Genesis 39

God used three disciplines in Joseph's life to prepare him to be a ruler of Egypt:

I. The Discipline of Service (vs. 1-6)

A. Joseph was sold as a slave. (v. 1)

1. Joseph exchanged his " _____ " for a _____.

2. God forced him to _____.

B. The Lord was with Joseph. (vs. 2-4)

1. God _____ (v. 2)

❖ Because Joseph was _____, God _____.

Proverbs 22:29; 12:24

2. Potiphar _____ (v. 3)

Proverbs 16:7

C. The Lord blessed Potiphar's house because of Joseph. (vs. 5-6)

II. The Discipline of Self-control (vs. 7-18)

A. The Advances (vs. 7, 10, 12)

1. An _____ invitation. (v. 7)

2. A _____ solicitation. (v. 10)

3. A _____ enticement. (v. 12)

▪ I Thessalonians 4:3-4

▪ I Corinthians 9:25-27

B. Joseph's Response (vs. 8, 10, 12)

1. He _____ (v. 8)

a. God was testing Joseph, for if Joseph could not _____,

he could never _____

b. He could have _____,
instead, he _____.

2. He _____ (v. 10).

▪ Acts 5:29

3. He _____ (v. 12)

▪ I Corinthians 6:18

The reason for his response:

▪ (v. 9) *how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?*

▪ I Corinthians 6:18

▪ Hebrews 13:4

C. An Enraged Women (vs. 11-18)

1. Joseph's _____ (vs. 11-12)

2. Potiphar's wife is _____ (vs. 13-18)

a. She _____ (vs. 13-15)

b. She _____ (vs. 16-18)

III. The Discipline of Suffering (vs. 19-23)

A. God is working and molding a leader.

1. He suffered _____
(v. 19)

2. He suffered _____
(v. 20)

▪ I Peter 2:19-20

B. God honors the right response to suffering.
(vs. 21-23)

1. God _____
(v. 21)

2. God _____
(vs. 22-23)

IV. Four Lasting Lessons to Learn

- A. You learn to be a _____ by
learning to be a _____.
▪ Mark 10:43
- B. Self-control is _____.
▪ Galatians 5:22-23
- C. _____ prepares us
for to be used of God in _____.
▪ Luke 16:10-11
- D. There are some temptations we are to
_____. There are others which
victory can only be gained by _____.
- E. Suffering _____.
▪ James 1:3-4