

Rewind...Joseph Don Williams- November 6, 2022

Acts 7:9-15

"Because the patriarchs were jealous of Joseph, they sold him as a slave into Egypt. But God was with him ¹⁰ and rescued him from all his troubles. He gave Joseph wisdom and enabled him to gain the goodwill of Pharaoh king of Egypt. So Pharaoh made him ruler over Egypt and all his palace.

¹¹ *"Then a famine struck all Egypt and Canaan, bringing great suffering, and our ancestors could not find food. ¹² When Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent our forefathers on their first visit. ¹³ On their second visit, Joseph told his brothers who he was, and Pharaoh learned about Joseph's family. ¹⁴ After this, Joseph sent for his father Jacob and his whole family, seventy-five in all. ¹⁵ Then Jacob went down to Egypt, where he and our ancestors died."*

1) God gives us His Presence

(verse 9)

Acts 7:9

"Because the patriarchs were jealous of Joseph, they sold him as a slave into Egypt. But God was with him..."

A dysfunctional family is any family that doesn't function as God designed.

2) God gives us Deliverance

(verse 9-10a)

Acts 7:9-10

*"But God was with him ¹⁰ and **rescued** him from all his troubles..."*

3) God gives us Wisdom

(verse 10b)

Acts 7:10

"God gave Joseph wisdom..."

James 1:5

"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."

4) God gives us Favor

(verse 10b)

Acts 7:10b

"He gave Joseph wisdom and enabled him to gain the goodwill of Pharaoh king of Egypt. So Pharaoh made him ruler over Egypt and all his palace."

5) God gives us Dreams

(verses 11-12)

Acts 7:11-12

"Then a famine struck all Egypt and Canaan, bringing great suffering, and our ancestors could not find food. ¹² When Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent our forefathers on their first visit."

A dream is initiated by the Spirit of God, giving you a picture of what is yet to come and will ultimately bring glory to God.

6) God gives us a Legacy

(verse 14)

Acts 7:14

"After this, Joseph sent for his father Jacob and his whole family, seventy-five in all."

Billy Graham ~ The greatest legacy that one can pass on to one's children and grandchildren is not money...but rather a legacy of character and faith.

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