

Living By Faith Not Sight

A Journey To Greatness

Genesis 37:12-36

Joseph remained Faithful as his world is about to Come Apart at the SEAMS...

Sometimes Hardship can make Christians TURN from their Faith.

- 1. SOMETIMES, LIFE IS NOT FAIR.** (vv.12-17)
 - Jacob couldn't Trust his sons to STAY OUT of Trouble.
 - Jacob Sent Joseph into Very Dangerous Waters BUT Joseph Obeys his father & Goes to Find his Brothers.
 - SEE What He GETS for All his EFFORT!
- 2. SOMETIMES, FAMILY HURTS US MOST.** (vv.18-24)
 - God Reminds us to Look BEYOND the OUTWARD Circumstances.
 - In the pit, Joseph Learned that God CARED & God was In Control. (Acts 7:9, Rom. 8:28)
 - In the pit, Joseph Found God's Ultimate Purpose for Pain is our GOOD.
 - In the pit, Joseph Learned God HEARS your call. (Psalm 34:17-19)
- 3. SOMETIMES, GOD SUSTAINS US IN UNEXPECTED WAYS.** (vv. 25-33)
 - Joseph's TRIALS were ONLY Beginning...
 - God IS always Present but He Doesn't always Change our Circumstances.
 - The Love of GOD that's DEEP Enough to HOLD You...is also STRONG enough to Never Ever LET YOU GO. (Romans 8:38-39)
- 4. SOMETIMES, WE ARE OUR WORST ENEMY.** (vv. 34-35)
 - Jacob was Determined to Punish himself until he died...
 - Some Mistakes create Consequences that are Never Reversed.
 - We must Accept His Forgiveness & Give Up our Guilt.
- 5. SOMETIMES, TRIALS CAN LEAD TO GREATNESS.** (v.36)
 - If you're Struggling, Don't Give up because GOD is In Control.
 - FACING Adversity & Disaster Faithfully is HARD WORK. (Isaiah 43:1-3)
 - Following God's Way is the BEST Way, but it may be a DIFFICULT Way.
 - MAYBE you're on a Journey to GREATNESS...