

# Living By Faith Not Sight

## “Defeating Disappointment”

### Genesis 39:20-40:23

Although Joseph Did the Right Thing, he's Dealing with **DISAPPOINTMENT**.

How did Joseph Avoid “Giving In” to Disappointment even while in PRISON...

WHAT ENABLED Joseph & ENABLES US to Live By **FAITH** Not **SIGHT**?

#### 1. **KNOWING** GOD HAS NOT & WILL NOT FORSAKE YOU. (39:20-23)

- We can **Become Disappointed** OR **USE** our Trial to **Show Others** how **BIG** our God is. (Genesis 39:2-3, 5)
- Whether in the PALACE or the PRISON, the **Lord was THERE**. (v.23)
- **Spiritual Maturity** is **LEARNED** as we **WALK** by **FAITH**, **Regardless of what we SEE**.
- God **Promises** to be **WITH Those** who **Belong to Him** no matter what.

#### 2. **SEEING** EVERY SITUATION AS A WAY TO HONOR GOD. (40:1-8)

- Because Joseph was **Free of Bitterness**, he was a **Useful Tool** in God's hand.
- In the **Midst of his OWN Adversity**, Joseph **Reaches out to HELP OTHERS**.
- **One Insignificant Act of Service** can be the **Turning Point** in **YOUR** life.
- **BE Faithful & Bloom** wherever **God has Planted** you.

#### 3. **TRUSTING** GOD REGARDLESS OF CIRCUMSTANCES. (40:20-23)

- **Everyone in this World** will **Let You Down** at some point.
- **Much of OUR Trouble** comes from **Putting OUR Trust** in **Some THING** or **Some ONE** Rather than **GOD**.
- **God is NEVER Satisfied** with **GOOD** or even **BETTER** for you... Ultimately, **God wants the VERY BEST** for your life.
- **Our Responsibility is to TRUST HIM in spite of Appearances**.

- **LORD'S SUPPER**