

CALVARY LIFE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

PASSAGE: Genesis 40 – 41 'From the Prison to the Palace'

THEME/S: Godly character, purpose in suffering, typology of Jesus

1. How are you doing? And how have you made the most of Level 3 so far?

Chapter 40:1 - 23

2. In what ways do we see Joseph's godly character in these verses? (See v4 he served, v6 he noticed their countenance, v8 he pointed to & glorified God)

3. Joseph delivered very good news to the butler and very bad news to the baker. What spiritual lessons can we draw from us?

Chapter 41:1 - 36

- 4. What speaks to you, challenges you or raises questions in your mind from these verses?
- 5. Joseph was surely filled with great expectation that he would soon be released but verse 1 says, "Then it came to pass, at the end of two full years..." What should our attitude be in times of suffering and waiting?
- 6. Joseph suffered much at the hands of his brothers, in Potiphar's house and in prison. But it was during his time in Potiphar's house and in prison that he was equipped as an expert administrator ready to take the reigns in Egypt during a time of crisis.

Looking back on your life, can you in hindsight see how trials and sufferings that you have experienced have equipped you in serving the Lord?

Chapter 41:37 - 57

- 7. Joseph is a most remarkable type of the Lord Jesus Christ. What are some of the ways in which Joseph in these chapters points to Jesus? [Leader see below].
 - Jos was in prison <u>w</u> two men (one executed, one exonerated) \rightarrow Jesus on cross <u>w</u> two men.
 - Jos asked butler to remember him \rightarrow Jes instituted communion (bread & wine) to remember.
 - Jos acted <u>w</u> great humility & glorified God \rightarrow Jesus was ever humble & always glorified God.
 - Jos exercised divine wisdom & had Spirit of God \rightarrow Jes is wisdom & was anointed by H/S.
 - Both Jos & Jes were 30 when they began their life work.
 - Jos exalted in Egypt & all bowed to him → one day every knee will bow & tongue confess.
 - Both Jos & Jes were honoured among Gentiles while despised & forgotten by their own.
 - Jos given a Gentile Egyptian bride \rightarrow Jes is betrothed to a Gentile bride.
 - Phar "Go to Joseph; whatever he says to you, do" \rightarrow Fath "This is my beloved Son, hear Him".



- Jos provided bread for the whole world \rightarrow Jes is the bread of life who gives life to world.
- Everyone had to go to Jos to live \rightarrow All must come to Jesus to live.
- Jos was given name 'God Speaks & He Lives' \rightarrow Jesus is the living Word of God.

PRAY

Pray it through and pray it over! Tonight's passage and specific prayer needs.