



LIFE Group Study Guide

1. How have you seen God's blessing in your life? What can make it difficult to walk faithfully in times of blessing? How is that similar to the difficulty to walking faithfully in seasons of pain? How is it different?

2. Read **Genesis 41:1-8**.

What sticks out to you in this passage in relation to Joseph's story? How do you see God putting the pieces of His plan together? How would you respond to the current situation if you were Joseph?

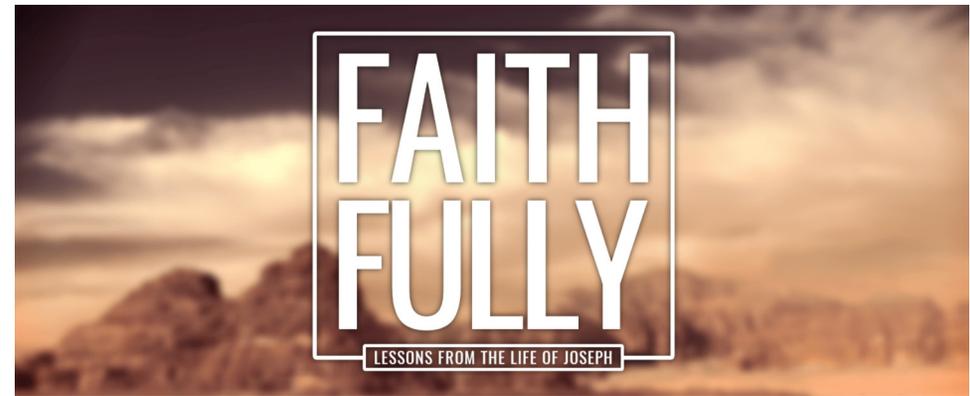
3. Read **Genesis 41:9-13**.

How do you respond to this? Why do you think things happened this way? How does it make sense? Does it have to make sense in order to be ok? How have you experienced this in your life?

4. Read **Genesis 41:14-56**.

What evidence do you see of God working? What evidence do you see of Joseph's faith? How does this help to make sense of all that has happened? What lessons can you learn about God from this passage that make sense in your life?

5. Based on your notes from the message and looking at this passage again, what is one thing (or 2 or 3) that you can implement today in order to walk faithfully in seasons of blessing?



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ACCESS TODAY'S MESSAGE

Our website is designed to be a helpful tool for all things Northampton. At NBchurchCF.org you'll find: our church calendar, key events, email and text alert sign-ups as well as access to this week's message and past messages - all from your computer, tablet or smartphone!

INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS

Next Step Spiritual Growth Opportunities

A great next step from the Worship Service on Sunday mornings is to connect with Spiritual Growth Opportunities: **Bible Classes at 9:30am** on Sundays as well as **LIFE groups** and other Bible Studies at various times during the week.

Children's & Youth Ministry

We have a safe place for your children and teens! There are several environments throughout the week for preschoolers, children, middle & high school students to take part in, connect with friends and grow in their relationship with Jesus.

Complete info can be found at: NBChurchCF.org

FOR FURTHER STUDY

Whether you're in a LIFE group now or not, use this study guide to help you as you listen to the message and during the week as you dig deeper into God's Word through the "LIFE Group Study" section. All of this is designed to help you along the path of discipleship to **Believe** > **Belong** > **Become** like Jesus!



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MESSAGE NOTES

FAITHFULLY • Blessing - Genesis 41

Pastor Joe Pryor

BIG IDEA: Remain as faithful in God's blessing as you were in the pain.

Notes from Genesis 41

What God's Word is speaking to me today:

4 Things to Do to Remain Faithful in Seasons of Blessing

1. Continue to walk in _____

Matthew 4:19 • Luke 9:23-24 • Romans 12:1-2 • Galatians 2:20

2. Continue to remain _____

Psalm 86:11 • Proverbs 12:15; 13:18; 23:12

3. Continue to _____

Psalm 150:6 • Colossians 3:16

4. Continue to be a _____

Proverbs 11:25-26 • Luke 6:38 • 2 Corinthians 9:11 • 1 Timothy 6:17-19

God's Plan in Painful Circumstances:

If Joseph's brothers never sell him to the Midianites, then Joseph never goes to Egypt.

If Joseph never goes to Egypt, he's never sold to Potiphar.

If he is never sold to Potiphar, Potiphar's wife never falsely accuses him.

If Potiphar's wife never falsely accuses him, then he is never put in prison.

If he is never put in prison, he never meets the baker and cupbearer of Pharaoh.

If he never meets the baker and cupbearer of Pharaoh, he never interprets their dreams.

If he never interprets their dreams, he never gets to interpret Pharaoh's dreams.

If he never gets to interpret Pharaoh's dreams, he never is made prime minister.

If he is never made prime minister, he never wisely administrates for the severe famine coming upon the region.

If he never wisely administrates for the severe famine coming upon the region, then his family back in Canaan perishes from the famine.

If his family back in Canaan perishes from the famine, the Messiah can't come forth from a dead family.

If the Messiah can't come forth, then Jesus never came.

If Jesus never came, you are dead in your sins and without hope in this world.

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"...God has made me forget all my hardship...God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction..."

GENESIS 41:51-52