

THE RETURN OF THE DREAMER

The Legend of Joe Jacobson, Part 2

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This question is appropriate in the _____ of our life, but it maybe even more appropriate in the _____ of our life

Question: "What would someone in your circumstances do, if they were absolutely certain God was _____"

In _____ circumstances Joseph was able to maintain this difficult attitude

Throughout this story we find the Scripture stating, "The Lord was _____ Joseph"

We have discovered that _____ things happen even to those who the Lord is with Matthew 5:45 (NIV) "He [God] causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous."

John 16:33 (NIV) "[Jesus said] 'In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.'"

This message is very appropriate for most because most of us have been very, very _____

Wealth & prosperity, compared to poverty, has a greater potential to pull us _____ from God

When you are in need, you _____; when you have everything you need, you tend _____ to pray

Genesis 41:1-15

Joseph is facing the _____ of a lifetime

Why is it in those "once in a lifetime" environments, we become _____? We leave our _____ outside the door

Genesis 41:16-32

Joseph knows his life is not in _____ hands

Why should I be fearful, less than truthful, and play a game when _____ God is with me when I stand in front of _____ wanna-be god?

Proverbs 21:1 (NIV) "The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord; He directs it like a watercourse wherever He pleases."

Matthew 10:28 (TM) "Don't be bluffed into silence by the threats of bullies. There's nothing they can do to your soul, your core being. Save your fear for God, who holds your entire life—body and soul—in His hands."

Genesis 41:33-43

You have no _____ what God might do through you, if you lived like Joseph did

Don't allow prosperity to rip away your _____ & _____ on God?

Genesis 41:46

The test of _____ is passed by far fewer people than the test of _____ and _____

How To Live Each As If God Is With You When You Have Everything You Want & Need

1. Go _____ with your dependency on God

Others need to know this about _____ and not about _____ in an appropriate way

If it is difficult for you to bring God into the equation when everything is good, you are _____ the test of prosperity

2. Use what you have to _____ others

God did not bless you because of _____, and God did not bless you for _____

If you are hoarding or stockpiling what you have been blessed with, that's not being _____, that's being _____ God won't take care of you

3. Remember where you _____ from, and remember where you _____

Joseph's _____ were a reminder of how God had worked in his life (see Gen. 41:50-52)

We need unique, _____ reminders of what God has brought us from, and what God has brought us to

Prosperity makes you think _____ are something; God says, "No, ___ am something"

My Next Step Today Is:

- I will find an appropriate way to publicly identify with God
- Because God has blessed me, I will seek ways to bless others
- I will find unique, visible reminders of what God has brought me from, and what God has brought me to
- I will memorize Genesis 39:2, "The Lord was with Joseph & he prospered."