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“And it came to Pass”

Joseph (Part 5)

“For the Lord will not cast off forever, but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not afflict from his heart or grieve the children of men.” (Lamentations 3:31-33)

Desperation & Deliverance

Genesis 40:12-15, 23 – (12) “Then Joseph said to him, ‘This is its interpretation: the three branches are three days. (13) In three days Pharaoh will lift up your head and restore you to your office, and you shall place Pharaoh’s cup in his hand as formerly, when you were his cupbearer. (14) Only remember me, when it is well with you, and please do me the kindness to mention me to Pharaoh, and so get me out of this house. (15) For I was indeed stolen out of the land of the Hebrews, and here also I have done nothing that they should put me into the pit.’ (23) Yet the chief cupbearer did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.”

Genesis 41:1 – “And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river.” (KJV)

Genesis 41:14 – “Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they quickly brought him out of the pit. And when he had shaved himself and changed his clothes, he came in before Pharaoh.”

Anointed Analysis

Psalm 105:16-22 – (16) “When [God] summoned a famine on the land and broke all supply of bread, (17) he had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave. (18) His feet were hurt with fetters; his neck was put in a collar of iron; (19) until what [God] had said came to pass, the word of the LORD tested him. (20) The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free; (21) he made him lord of his house and ruler of all his possessions, (22) to bind his princes at his pleasure and to teach his elders wisdom.”

All Our Trials come with an Expiration Date

Means to an End

“For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.”

(2 Corinthians 4:17-18)

“For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.” (Romans 8:18)

“But rejoice insofar as you share Christ’s sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.” (1 Peter 4:13)

Thoughts:

There is an “after-life” to all our afflictions, suffering, chastisement, persecution, pain, sorrow, etc

“And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.” (Hebrews 6:15 KJV)

“For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.” (Hebrews 10:36 KJV)

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(ESV used unless otherwise noted)