

True Prosperity

Genesis 39:1-6

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Genesis 39: 1 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither. **2** And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. **3** And his master saw that the LORD *was* with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand. **4** And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all *that* he had he put into his hand. **5** And it came to pass from the time *that* he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian' house for Joseph' sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. **6** And he left all that he had in Joseph' hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was *a goodly person* , and well favoured.

In God's kingdom, the way up for us is d_____. (1 Peter 5:5-6)

Our greatest problem is p_____ which is the essence of sin. (Genesis 3:1-6; Isaiah 53:6)

God brings us down that we might h_____ ourselves and know true prosperity. (1 Peter 5:5-7)

God often uses f_____, s_____, h_____ concerns, and c_____ to bring us down. The best for us is to be brought down through paying attention to His W_____. (Job 1-3)

Life is not about my exaltation, but Christ's. It isn't about my e_____, but my being equipped by my humble looking up to Christ and leaning on His Ability. (1 Peter 5:5-7)

The only position that can make us truly prosperous is that of a s_____. (Mark 10:42-45)

To p_____ the L_____ is to be truly rich, even if we have nothing else. (Hebrews 13:5)

If there is ever a promotion anywhere, ultimately it is G_____ that did it! (Psalm 75:5-7)

When we understand that promotions come from the L_____ then we are freed from being a man-pleaser. (Colossians 3:23-24)

Potiphar entrusted all that he had to Joseph because he saw that he was faithful. (Luke 16:10-12)

Joseph had proven character which is character proven under p_____ and over t_____. (Romans 5:2-4)

True, lasting, proven character is Christ-likeness, which is true prosperity. (2 Corinthians 3:18; Romans 8:29)