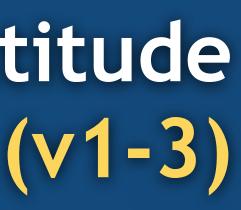
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Genesis 39

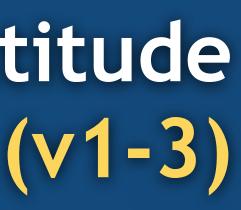
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Then they said to one another, "We are truly guilty concerning our brother, for we saw the anguish of his soul when he pleaded with us, and we would not hear; therefore this distress has come upon us."

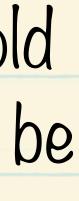


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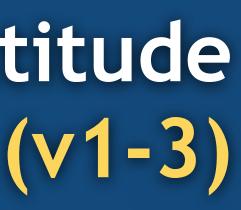


It would appear that if the Lord were indeed with Joseph, he would not have been sold into slavery. Yet the presence of God in one's life and the extent of success is not to be measured by the absence of adversity but a faithful attitude in the midst of adversity.

D.L. Moody, The Moody Bible Commentary



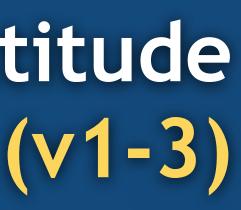
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The Lord's presence did not shield Joseph from hatred or temptation or slander or pain or disappointment. The Lord does not promise us that we will have what looks like prosperity, but we will have what is real prosperity in the best sense.

Charles Spurgeon, The Spurgeon Study Bible Notes

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2. You Can Be Trusted When Nobody Is Watching



Colossians 3 23 And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, 24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.





2. You Can Be Trusted When Nobody Is Watching



The key to Joseph's conduct was his godly character, and the basis for that character was his recognition that he belonged to God and served Him.

Warren Wiersbe, With the Word Bible Commentary



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15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; 16 having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed.

l Peter 3



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Joseph was able to resist the temptation because he was convinced that God had a plan for his life and was determined to realize it. He knew that if he was to see the dreams of the sheaves and the stars fulfilled, if he was going to receive what God had in store for him, he could not sin against God.

Cornerstone Biblical Commentary





3. You Can Resist Temptation Daily (v10-12)



Hebrews 12 3 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. 4 You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin.





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4. You Can Start Over After Unfair Treatment (v19-23)



9 And the patriarchs, becoming envious, sold Joseph into Egypt. But God was with him 10 and delivered him out of all his troubles, and gave him favor and wisdom in the presence of Pharaoh, king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.

Acts 7





4. You Can Start Over After Unfair Treatment (v19-23)



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