

The Lord Was With Joseph
Joseph: Living in a Powder Keg of Pressure, part 3
Genesis 39

- I am sure all of us sometimes wonder, does God really see me and since I am just one little person in a world with 7.2 billion people who inhabit this earth, how could God actually see me or care much about what I do?
- And then we wonder when we go through trials in this life, “where is God?”

Genesis 39:2; And the LORD was with Joseph and he was a prosperous man.
Genesis 39:23; Because the LORD was with him, and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper.

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- 1. In Times of Uncertain Transition, v.1-6**

- Even though:
 - A. He was hated by his brothers.
 - B. He was a slave.
 - C. He was an immigrant.

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- 2. In Times of Unceasing Temptation, v.7-12**

- A. Principles Regarding Temptation:

- 1) Temptation may come in the midst of God’s blessing, v.5.
- 2) Temptation may come aggressively, v.7:
- 3) Temptation does not stop at the first refusal, v.10: “day by day”
- 4) Temptation may get stronger as you refuse to give in, v.12:

- B. How did Joseph resist this temptation?

- 1) He respected his boss, v.8
- 2) He regarded their marriage bond, v.9
- 3) He reasoned Biblically, v.9
- 4) He recognized God’s presence, v.9

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- 3. In Times of Undeserved Trial, v.13-23**

A. There will be seasons when your character will be assassinated, and you will be disappointed.

Psalm 105:18,19: Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in the iron: until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.

B. Did resisting temptation bring immediate reward?