## LESSON 52

## JOSEPH IN THE PALACE

Genesis 41:1-57



A Time for Assembly: Introduction to gather together through ice breaker (10 minutes)

## For Starting Communication:

Share briefly a personal experience where you suddenly got promoted (in the workplace or ministry).



A Time for Adoration: Inspiration to worship God through invocation, thanksgiving, and reading the Scripture

## Suggested Songs:

For the Lord is Good, by Billy Funk I Stand In Awe, by Mark Altrogge

Scripture Reading: Genesis 41:1-57



A Time for **Admonition:** *Instruction* to communicate one's investigation of the story (content), interpretation based on the setting (context), and integration of the two for the spiritual truth (concept) (50 minutes)

- 1. How did God orchestrate the dramatic rise of Joseph from the pit to the palace (41:1-13)?
- 2. Why would Pharaoh seriously consider a Hebrew slave's interpretation of his dream (41:1-16)?

- 3. How did Joseph seize the opportunity to witness to Pharaoh about the true God (41:25-36)?
- 4. Did Pharaoh know something about God ("Elohim") before he met Joseph for him to quickly affirm that God was with Joseph (41:38-39)?
- 5. Pharaoh delegated extensive authority to Joseph and placed him at the highest echelon of Egyptian society. Did Joseph get vindictive and corrupted by his elevated position of power (41:37-45)?
- 6. What did Joseph signify by giving the name "Manasseh" to one of his sons (41:46-57)?

A Time for **Accountability:** *Invitation* to apply the implication water of the Scripture (connect), implementation of a specific action (conduct), and intercession for the saints/seekers (concern) (about 35 minutes)

- 1. There is no record that Joseph got depressed or disillusioned while he got stuck in prison. How could we keep ourselves healthy and functioning when we are stuck in a stressful situation for a long time (like when there is chronic illness in a family member)?
- 2. How would you plan to witness for Christ in your workplace or when you meet a VIP in society?
- 3. Pray for one another in the group. Share your personal needs or concerns with your accountability and prayer partners. These may include attitudes that need to be changed and personal applications of God's Word as studied in this lesson. Pray also for others outside the group who need to hear the Gospel.