

REVIEW THE 2ND HALF OF THE BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

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| Ecclesiastes | Obadiah |
| Song of Songs | Jonah |
| Isaiah | Micah |
| Jeremiah | Nahum |
| Lamentations | Habakkuk |
| Ezekiel | Zephaniah |
| Daniel | Haggai |
| Hosea | Zechariah |
| Joel | Malachi |
| Amos | |

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“Heroes of the Faith: Joseph (Part 1).” Well done!

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HEROES OF THE FAITH: JOSEPH



The Bible is full of so many amazing people. Except for Jesus, none of these people were perfect, but we can learn so much from the way they lived. They were people of faith, people who put their trust in God and, because of this, God used them in incredible ways. The first “hero of the faith” we will look at is a man named Joseph. Not Jesus’ earthly father, not Mary’s husband. A different Joseph. Joseph had big faith!

First, what is faith?

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Hebrews 11:1-2 – “Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see. That is what the people of long ago were praised for.”

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In your own words, what is faith?

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Most of us aren’t born with big faith. Like a muscle, faith needs to grow, and it often grows when we go through tough times in life. Joseph went through tougher times than most people do.



Joseph was the 11th born son of 12 brothers. His father's name was Jacob, or Israel.

In your Bible (or online at www.biblegateway.com), read Genesis 37:2-11.

I read Genesis 37:2-11

How would you have felt if you were one of Joseph's older brothers?

Joseph's older brothers were jealous that their father loved Joseph more than them. This jealousy led to them hating Joseph so much that they wanted him out of their lives. One day, when their father was not with them, Joseph's 10 older brothers sold him into slavery. Then they took his fancy coat, ripped it up and put goat's blood on it, and told their father that a wild animal must have killed Joseph. They lied to their father, which is wrong, but Jacob believed them, and he was so sad that his favourite son was gone. Joseph was taken to Egypt, pretty far away, and sold as a slave to an important man. Thankfully, this man treated Joseph well.

Read Genesis 39:2-23

I read Genesis 39:2-23



How would you have felt if you were Joseph, being accused of doing something wrong, though you did nothing wrong, and being put in prison for this?

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Remember: Even in prison, God was with Joseph! Sometimes life goes different than we would like it to go, but – if we keep trusting God and living for Him – He is with us and will work out His plans in our lives!

MEMORIZE

Romans 8:28 – “And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them.”

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Even in prison, God worked His plans out for Joseph. God gave Joseph a special gift of knowing the meaning of dreams. One day in prison, Joseph told two men the meaning of their dreams, and what Joseph said came true. One of those men was soon set free from prison and worked for Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. Then one day, Pharaoh had a dream, and that man told Pharaoh about Joseph. Pharaoh then told Joseph his dream, and Joseph told him the meaning of that dream. Unbelievably, in that moment, Pharaoh took Joseph out of prison, and made him the second-in-command of Egypt. Truly, God makes everything work for the good of those who love Him and live for Him!



Through all of these ups and downs, God continued to grow Joseph's faith, making it bigger and bigger. But, it only grew bigger because Joseph trusted God through it all.

In worksheet #36, we'll finish Joseph's story. It's too good not to finish, and there's much to learn in it for us.