

## **Genesis 37:5-9 (NET)**

**Then his brothers asked him, “Do you really think you will rule over us or have dominion over us?” They hated him even more because of his dream and because of what he said. [9] Then he had another dream, and told it to his brothers. “Look,” he said. “I had another dream. The sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me.”**

## **Genesis 37:10-11 (NET)**

**When he told his father and his brothers, his father rebuked him, saying, “What is this dream that you had? Will I, your mother, and your brothers really come and bow down to you?” [11] His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept in mind what Joseph said.**

# **A BETTER DREAM**

**Genesis 41:1-57**

# Joseph **EXPLAINS** the **DREAMS**

- Both Dreams Have The **SAME** Meaning
- 7 cows and 7 heads of grain are **SEVEN** years
- God is **TELLING** You what **WILL** Happen
- 7 yrs. of **ABUNDANCE** Followed by 7 yrs. of **FAMINE**
- Two Dreams the **SAME** - it is **SURE** and **QUICK**

## Galatians 4:4-5 (NET)

But when the **APPROPRIATE TIME** had come, **God SENT out his Son**, born of a woman, born under the law, [5] to **redeem** those who were under the law, so that we may be **adopted as sons** with full rights.

Our job is to **SUBMIT** to Him each day  
(to Embrace Surrender)...

...to **TRUST** Him each day  
(Choose to Believe)

# JOSEPH'S PLAN

- Start **NOW**
- Put a Discerning Wise man **IN CHARGE**
- Appoint **OVERSEERS**
- **COLLECT** and **STORE** the Harvests

# **CHANGE in Joseph's STATUS**

- verbal **APPOINTMENT**
- giving of a signet **RING**
- dressed in **ROYAL ROBES**
- a **GOLD CHAIN** around his neck
- public **DISPLAY** in a chariot with crier
- giving **NEW NAME** to Joseph
- given a **WIFE**

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**CHARACTER** (faithfulness)

is shown in how the

**LITTLE THINGS** are treated. NET

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## Genesis 41:51-52 (HCS)

[51] Joseph named the firstborn

**MANASSEH**, meaning, “God has made me forget all my hardship in my father’s house.”

[52] And the second son he named

**EPHRAIM**, meaning, “God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction.”

**Manasseh** and **Ephraim's** names  
were a daily **REMINDER**  
of God's **GOODNESS**

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# Questions

1. What does it really mean to **EMBRACE** Surrender?
2. What does it really mean to **CHOOSE** to Believe?
3. How can we really live out the Truth that God is **GOOD** - **ALL** the Time?