

## **JOSEPH RISES TO POWER**

### **Day 1: Review**

1. What did you glean from reading lesson 13 commentary notes?
  
2. How did the lecture help you better understand lesson 14?

### **Day 2: Read Genesis 41:1-14, Psalm 105:16-19** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

3. FACTS:
  - A. How long had it been since the cupbearer had been released from prison and forgotten Joseph there?
  
  - B. What additional facts do you learn about Joseph's imprisonment from Psalm 105:16-19?
  
  - C. What/who prompted the cupbearer to remember Joseph and what/who prompted Pharaoh to call for Joseph?
  
  - D. Summarize Pharaoh's two dreams.  
Dream #1  
  
Dream #2
  
4. LESSONS: Based on your answer to question 3C regarding the cupbearer remembering Joseph and Pharaoh's response, what principle is being exhibited?

5. APPLICATION: What have you learned that might help you the next time you are forgotten or dismissed?

**Day 3: Read Genesis 41:15-36** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

6. FACTS:

- A. After Pharaoh summoned Joseph to ask if he could interpret his dreams, how did Joseph respond (verses 15-16)?

- B. Summarize Joseph's interpretation of Pharaoh's two dreams (verses 25-32).

- C. What wise counsel did Joseph give Pharaoh?

7. LESSONS: What do you learn about honoring God from verses 15-16?

8. APPLICATION:

- A. How might you more completely honor God?
- B. What are some things with which you should ask God's help in honoring Him? Be specific.

**Day 4: Read Genesis 41:37-57, Genesis 37:2, Psalm 105:20-22** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

9. FACTS:

- A. What did Pharaoh think of Joseph, and what did he do for him (verses 37-40)?
- B. Using Genesis 41:46 and 37:2, how many years had passed since Joseph's brothers had sold him to the Ishmaelite traders?

C. List the ways Joseph prospered from Genesis 41:41-57 and Psalm 105:20-22.

10. LESSONS:

A. What caused Pharaoh to make the statement about Joseph in verse 37?

B. What do you learn about Joseph's faith in God from verses 50-52?

11. APPLICATION:

A. How does the way Joseph responded to hardship and blessing encourage you?

B. What about Joseph's character would you like to be true of you also?

**Day 5: Read Genesis 42:1-24** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

12. FACTS: Write down a fact from each of the verses below.

Verses 1-2

Verses 3-4

Verse 6

Verses 8-9

Verses 15-17

Verses 22-23

13. LESSONS:

A. From verse 24, what is revealed about Joseph's heart toward his brothers?

- B. What do you believe caused him to break down after hearing his brothers discuss their guilt?

14. APPLICATION:

- A. What are some ways you might keep your heart “tender” toward the things that matter to our Lord?
- B. How do you keep yourself from becoming “hard-hearted?”

**Day 6: Read Genesis 42:25-38** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

15. FACTS:

- A. What did Joseph do to the brothers that were sent back to their father to test their integrity (verses 25-28)?
- B. What did the brothers tell Jacob upon their return home (verses 29-35)?
- C. How did Jacob respond to what his sons told him about their trip to Egypt (verse 36)?
- D. Describe the interaction between Reuben and Jacob in verses 37-38.

16. LESSONS: How was Joseph’s testing of his brothers beneficial?

17. APPLICATION:

- A. When do you believe you have been “tested” by God?
- B. What was the purpose for “testing” and its outcome?