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BUT GOD

A STUDY OF THE
LIFE OF JOSEPH

"WHEN YOUR
DELIVERANCE COMES"
GENESIS 41:1-49

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Introduction: It is impossible to judge where our life is going by one, single traumatic event. But, there usually comes a day when we are able to look back and say, "Now I understand." Today, we are going to look at that day that changed Joseph's life forever.

I. Joseph's Exoneration (Genesis 41:1-13)

Genesis 41:1 "Now it happened at the end of two full years that Pharaoh had a dream, and behold, he was standing by the Nile."

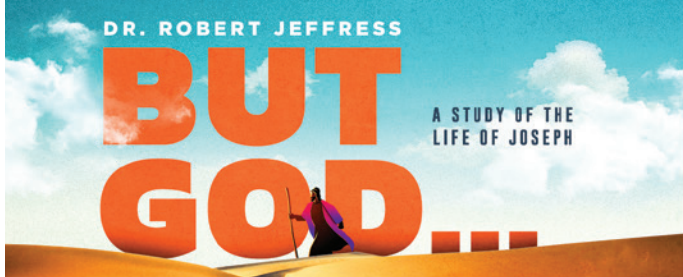
Hebrews 1:1-2a ¹ "God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, ² in these last days has spoken to us in His Son..."

Proverbs 21:1 "The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord; He turns it wherever He wishes."

II. Joseph's Explanation (Genesis 41:14-36)

Genesis 41:14 "Then Pharaoh sent and called for Joseph, and they hurriedly brought him out of the dungeon; and when he had shaved himself and changed his clothes, he came to Pharaoh."

Proverbs 21:20 "There is precious treasure and oil in the dwelling of the wise, but a foolish man swallows it up."



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III. Joseph's Exaltation (Genesis 41:37-49)

Genesis 41:41-42 ⁴¹ "Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt.'
⁴² Then Pharaoh took off his signet ring from his hand and put it on Joseph's hand, and clothed him in garments of fine linen and put the gold necklace around his neck."

Genesis 41:43-44 ⁴³ "He had him ride in his second chariot; and they proclaimed before him, 'Bow the knee!' And he set him over all the land of Egypt. ⁴⁴ Moreover, Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'Though I am Pharaoh, yet without your permission no one shall raise his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.'"

IV. Our Application

God's Deliverance May Be Coming When . . .

A. We Have Reached the Limit of Our Own Strength

1 Peter 5:6a "Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God that He may exalt you at the proper time..."

B. Someone Else Pleads Our Case

C. God Reaches Us Without Any Effort on Our Part

Psalms 139:7-10 ⁷ "Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?
⁸ If I ascend to heaven, You are there. If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. ⁹ If I take the wings of the dawn, if I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, ¹⁰ even there Your hand will lead me, and Your right hand will lay hold of me."

Conclusion