

Theme: JOSEPH INTERPRETS PHARAOH’S DREAMS

Memory Verse: *Genesis 41:25 “And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh is one: God hath showed Pharaoh what he is about to do.”*

Texts: Genesis 41:1-36

The chief baker was hanged while the chief butler was reinstated to his office as Joseph predicted. But for two full years, the butler did not remember Joseph even though he (Joseph) had requested the butler to mention his case to Pharaoh in order to effect his release from unjust imprisonment. Here, we see the vanity of trusting in man. “Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.” “It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes” (Psalms 146:3; 118:8, 9).

Man cannot be trusted. God does not expect His children to put their trust in men because they cannot help. True help and deliverance can only come from God. Believers should not be disappointed when men fail to help them. We are not to expect help from them. God allowed two full years to pass so that Joseph’s heart would be completely weaned from any form of dependence or expectation from man. Many times, God allows our trials to be prolonged until all the props of human reliance on which we try to lean are taken away.

God wants us to cease from trusting in man and fully depend on Him, so that like the Psalmist, we can honestly say, “My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him (Psalm 62:5). However, this is not to say that God cannot use men to effect His plans in our lives. He often uses men; but we must allow Him to pick the men of His choice in the manner and moment that please Him. Even though God planned to use the butler to introduce Joseph to Pharaoh, it was not in the way and time that Joseph anticipated. God’s time, the saying goes, is the best.

	DAILY BIBLE READING	
	MORNING	EVENING
SUNDAY	Matthew 7	Matthew 8
MONDAY	Matthew 9	Matthew 10
TUESDAY	Matthew 11	Matthew 12
WEDNESDAY	Matthew 13	Matthew 14
THURSDAY	Matthew 15	Matthew 16
FRIDAY	Matthew 17	Matthew 18
SATURDAY	Mathew 19	Matthew 20