

SERMON NOTES

Title: When Santa Doesn't Deliver

Text: Genesis 50:20

Topic: Disappointment

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Joseph is a _____, growing up in a _____ home.

“When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him, and could not speak a kind word to him.” Genesis 37:4

Joseph has a dream where all his brothers are _____ to him. They hate him even more and they sell him into slavery.

In Egypt he's resold to a government official, Potiphar, the captain of Pharaoh's _____.

Potiphar sees Joseph has some rare gifts of _____ and puts Joseph in charge of his _____.

Mrs. Potiphar tries to _____ him, *“Though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or even be with her.”* Genesis 39:10

We often allow _____ to justify disobedience. Not Joseph.

Potiphar's wife persists, but this time she grabs him, and pulls him toward her. He resists, and runs away. Humiliated and rejected, she yells, “_____!”

Good News, Joseph _____. Bad News, he is _____.

Where is God in the midst of Joseph's story? Where is God in the midst of your story? *“The Lord was with Joseph.”* (39:2, 23)

While in prison two prisoners, have dreams and Joseph is given the interpretation of each of the dreams by God. Pharaoh tells Joseph his dream, and God gives Joseph the interpretation. Pharaoh is _____.

“‘Can we find anyone like this man, one in whom is the spirit of God?’ Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, ‘Since God has made all this known to you, there is no one so discerning and wise as you. You shall be in charge of my palace, and all my people are to submit to your orders. Only with respect to the throne will I be greater than you.’” Genesis 41:39

God has just placed Joseph in a position to execute a plan that saves millions of people from a severe _____ that is coming.

Joseph's brothers, in search of grain, find themselves in front of the Deputy Pharaoh of Egypt, whom they _____ as their brother. After awhile Joseph makes himself _____ to his brothers.

Joseph says, *“You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good.”* *“You meant this for evil, but God used it for good.”* Genesis 50:20

Never give up on God _____ your story.

“In all things God works for the good of those who love Him and are called according to His purpose.” Romans 8:28

We don't get to _____ a lot of what happens in our lives, but we do get to choose how we will _____ that happens in our lives.

In the midst of disappointments, God is _____ and He gets the _____.