

- 5) One day when all the servants are out and Joseph is all alone, Potiphar's wife ran to Joseph and grabbed his coat to force him to sleep with her.
  - i) Joseph pulled away and left his coat there and ran from her.
  - ii) He resisted temptation.
  - iii) She was furious that she had been rejected by Joseph, so she framed Joseph.
    - a) She screamed.
    - b) She called the servants in and said, "Look what happened. This Hebrew that my mother has brought into the house has tried to rape me. And here is the evidence to prove it. Here is his coat. When I screamed, Joseph ran and left his coat."
    - c) Potiphar's wife told Potiphar the same thing and he believed what his wife said.
- 6) Potiphar then puts Joseph in prison.
  - i) Joseph was faithful to the Lord and tried to obey the commandments of the Lord and ends up in prison.
  - ii) He could have said, "Now why did the Lord do this? What have I done to the Lord to ~~do~~ *deserve* this?"
- v. In Prison (39:21-40:23)
  - a. But in prison, the Lord prospers him again.
  - b. The warden of the prison sees that Joseph is very successful and so he elevates him in prison.
    - 1) He is put over everybody in the prison.
    - 2) He is responsible for every thing that takes place in the prison so that the warden doesn't have to worry about anything, but let's it in Joseph's hand.
  - c. Joseph remains faithful to the Lord in prison.
  - d. The cup-bearer and the baker
    - 1) Two of Pharaoh's officials, the chief cup-bearer and the chief baker, are put into prison because they offended Pharaoh.
    - 2) The captain of the guard, Potiphar, assigns Joseph to attend them and take care of them while they are there.
    - 3) This was not accidental, but in the providence of the Lord.
    - 4) These two officials have a dream and they are very distressed about it.
    - 5) Joseph sees that they are distressed and he asks them why they are down.