

## Chapter 40

1It came to pass after these things that the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt offended their lord, the king of Egypt. 2And Pharaoh was angry with his two officers, the chief butler and the chief baker. 3So he put them in custody in the house of the captain of the guard, in the prison, the place where Joseph was confined. 4And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them;

So they were in custody for a while. 5Then the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, who were confined in the prison, had a dream, both of them, each man's dream in one night and each man's dream with its own interpretation. 6And Joseph came in to them in the morning and looked at them, and saw that they were sad. 7So he asked Pharaoh's officers who were with him in the custody of his lord's house, saying, "Why do you look so sad today?"

8And they said to him, "We each have had a dream, and there is no interpreter of it."

So Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Tell them to me, please."

9Then the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, "Behold, in my dream a vine was before me, 10and in the vine were three branches; it was as though it budded, its blossoms shot forth, and its clusters brought forth ripe grapes. 11Then Pharaoh's cup was in my hand; and I took the grapes and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and placed the cup in Pharaoh's hand."

12And Joseph said to him, "This is the interpretation of it: The three branches are three days. 13Now within three days Pharaoh will lift up your head and restore you to your place, and you will put Pharaoh's cup in his hand according to the former manner, when you were his butler. 14But remember me when it is well with you, and please show kindness to me; make mention of me to Pharaoh, and get me out of this house. 15For indeed I was stolen away from the land of the Hebrews; and also I have done nothing here that they should put me into the dungeon."

16When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said to Joseph, "I also was in my dream, and there were three white baskets on my head. 17In the uppermost basket were all kinds of baked goods for Pharaoh, and the birds ate them out of the basket on my head."

18So Joseph answered and said, "This is the interpretation of it: The three baskets are three days. 19Within three days Pharaoh will lift off your

head from you and hang you on a tree; and the birds will eat your flesh from you.”

20Now it came to pass on the third day, which was Pharaoh’s birthday, that he made a feast for all his servants; and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants. 21Then he restored the chief butler to his butlership again, and he placed the cup in Pharaoh’s hand. 22But he hanged the chief baker, as Joseph had interpreted to them.

23Yet the chief butler did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.

### **Psalm 105:9-24**

9 The covenant which He made with Abraham, And His oath to Isaac,  
10 And confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, To Israel as an everlasting covenant,  
11 Saying, “To you I will give the land of Canaan As the allotment of your inheritance,”

12 When they were few in number, Indeed very few, and strangers in it.  
13 When they went from one nation to another, From one kingdom to another people,  
14 He permitted no one to do them wrong; Yes, He rebuked kings for their sakes,  
15 Saying, “Do not touch My anointed ones, And do My prophets no harm.”

16 Moreover He called for a famine in the land; He destroyed all the provision of bread.

17 He sent a man before them—**Joseph—who was sold as a slave.**

**18 They hurt his feet with fetters, He was laid in irons.**

**19 Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of the Lord tested him.**

**20 The king sent and released him, The ruler of the people let him go free.**

**21 He made him lord of his house, And ruler of all his possessions,**

**22 To bind his princes at his pleasure, And teach his elders wisdom.**

23 Israel also came into Egypt, And Jacob dwelt in the land of Ham.

24 He increased His people greatly, And made them stronger than their enemies.

Acts 7:9-18 “And the patriarchs, becoming envious, sold **Joseph** into Egypt. But God was with him 10and delivered him out of all his troubles, and gave him favor and wisdom in the presence of Pharaoh, king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house. 11Now a famine and great trouble came over all the land of Egypt and Canaan, and our fathers found no sustenance. 12But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first. 13And the second time Joseph was made known to his brothers, and Joseph’s family became known to the Pharaoh. 14Then Joseph sent and called his father Jacob and all his relatives to him, seventy-five people. 15So Jacob went down to Egypt; and he died, he and our fathers. 16And they were carried back to Shechem and laid in the tomb that Abraham bought for a sum of money from the sons of Hamor, the father of Shechem.

17But when the time of the promise drew near which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt 18till another king arose who did not know Joseph.”