Understand your Bible reading plan Week 14 Day 2 Genesis 41





Introduction

Joseph interprets more dreams.

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- 1. What is the significance of a pair of dreams?
- 2. Why did Pharaoh set Joseph over his house?
- 3. What does Joseph say is the significance of his sons' names?

Summary Points

- v 1 to 8 Two years later Pharaoh has dreams (see theme) which his wise men can't interpret
- v 9 to 14 Pharaoh's cup bearer remembers how Joseph had correctly interpreted his dream, so Pharaoh sends for Joseph
- v 15 to 36 Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dreams predicting seven good harvests followed by seven years of famine. Joseph recommends storing grain for the famine years
- v 37 to 57 Joseph is promoted to second in command in Egypt, and supervises the storage of grain for use in the famine years

Timeline to 2000 BC (See below)



Dreams

A selection of verses showing how God can use dreams to communicate with people.

God uses dreams to intervene on behalf of his people:

God stopped Abimelech innocently taking Abraham's wife:

Genesis 20 verse 6

He warned Laban not to harm Jacob:

Genesis 31 verse 24

The wise men at Jesus' birth were warned not to return to Herod:

Matthew 2 verse 12

God uses dreams to tell people about the future:

Pharoah's dreams were telling him what was about to happen:

Genesis 41 verse 25

The prophet Daniel told King Nebuchadnezzar that his dream was about the future:

Daniel 2 verse 28

Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 32, Q 2: v 38 to 40, Q 3: v 51 and 52



Bible timeline

