

Your Call Is Alive...

"Here Comes That Dreamer!"

Genesis 37-45

"Joseph had a dream..."

→ You have a dream too. And like Joseph, God is the author of your dream.

Sometimes the greatest thing you can do
with your dream is to wait and be silent!



"Here comes that dreamer!"

→ What do people say when they see you coming? Do they see your passions for the Lord?

"Come now, let's kill him...then we'll see what comes of his dreams."

→ There will always be obstacles to your dreams. Ultimately, you are the only one who can kill your dream. The enemy can't steal it. People can't steal it. Circumstances cannot stop it. Only you can abort your dreams.

"Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt"

Circumstances do not determine your character, they reveal your character. These difficult times exposed what was in Joseph's heart—faithfulness, trust, and a devoted worship unto the Lord.

LESSONS FROM JOSEPH THE DREAMER:

1. God's calling on our lives is more *positional of the heart* than it is positional geographically.
2. Joseph was faithful in the setting he was placed in even though the setting was negative. Sometimes we feel the Lord has a calling on our lives, but the present setting we are in seems to contradict the calling.
3. God does not gift you integrity - "Now Joseph was well-built and handsome (Gen 39:6)." Joseph's eyes were always on the beauty of the Lord--not his own good looks.
4. Joseph makes his relationship with the Lord his only focus (not his "calling"). The will of God happens through us as we are in relationship with Him.
5. God's calling does not become void
6. The settings God places us in become the very training grounds for His higher purposes.
7. The specifics of God's calling are not as exact or linear as we would desire them to be. *Dreams are a process.*
8. The evils of man will not stop God's plan (Genesis 50:19-21)
9. Our calling is a journey, not so much a destination

Joseph was 30 years old at the time of his rise to power...he was 17 years old at the time of his dreams...13 years had passed since his dream. What if he had stopped at year 12? Joseph reigned in Egypt from age 30 to age 110. For 80 years he was a leader in Egypt -- But for 110 years he lived out his calling

You don't really "arrive" to your calling, you walk in it