

**Genesis 39:13-23** <sup>13</sup> And so it was, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and fled outside, <sup>14</sup> that she called to the men of her house and spoke to them, saying, "See, he has brought in to us a Hebrew to [a]mock us. He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried out with a loud voice. <sup>15</sup> And it happened, when he heard that I lifted my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me, and fled and went outside." <sup>16</sup> So she kept his garment with her until his master came home. <sup>17</sup> Then she spoke to him with words like these, saying, "The Hebrew servant whom you brought to us came in to me to mock me; <sup>18</sup> so it happened, as I lifted my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me and fled outside." <sup>19</sup> So it was, when his master heard the words which his wife spoke to him, saying, "Your servant did to me after this manner," that his anger was aroused. <sup>20</sup> Then Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were confined. And he was there in the prison. <sup>21</sup> But the Lord was with Joseph and showed him mercy, and He gave [b] him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. <sup>22</sup> And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners who were in the prison; whatever they did there, it was his doing. <sup>23</sup> The keeper of the prison did not look into anything *that* was under Joseph's authority, because the Lord was with him; and whatever he did, the Lord made it prosper.

### **God's DESTINY is tied to His DISCIPLESHIP**

How do we develop CHARACTER?

**Romans 5:3-5** <sup>3</sup> And not only *that*, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that **tribulation produces perseverance**;

<sup>4</sup> and perseverance, character; and character, hope. <sup>5</sup> Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

### **#1 TRIBULATION PRODUCES PERSEVERANCE:**

**John 16:33**—"in the world you will have tribulation; but **be of good cheer**, I have overcome the world."

**James 1:2-3**: <sup>2</sup> My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, <sup>3</sup> knowing that the testing of your faith produces [a]patience.

**Trials produce Patience: Tribulation produces Perseverance**

**Patience**-waiting with contentment:

**Perseverance**-ability to FIGHT as long as necessary, w/ Contentment

Could my response lengthen my Trial?

### **#2 PERSEVERANCE PRODUCES CHARACTER:**

*Early Promotion = Destiny Destroyer*

**Genesis 40:14** <sup>14</sup> **But 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.**

**Genesis 40: 23** **Yet the chief butler did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.**

### **#3 CHARACTER PRODUCES HOPE**

Character can be seen in how we REACT

**How is the Enemy Distracting You?**

**Hope is Jesus walking with Us**

### **#4: HOPE APPOINTS**

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**Romans 5:5** <sup>5</sup>Now hope does not disappoint, ....

HOPE is the Substance of FAITH (Heb 11:1)

FAITH required for SALVATION (Eph 2:8)