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- 3 When his master saw that the LORD was with him and made him prosper in all he did,
- 4 Joseph found favor in his sight and became his personal attendant.
- Potiphar put him in charge of his household and entrusted him with everything he owned.

- 5 From the time that he put Joseph in charge of his household and all he owned, the LORD blessed the Egyptian's household on account of him.
- The LORD's blessing was on everything he owned, both in his house and in his field.
  6 So Potiphar left all that he owned in Joseph's care; he did not concern himself with anything except the food he ate.

Genesis 39 6...Now Joseph was well-built and handsome, 7 and after some time his master's wife cast her eyes on Joseph and said, "Sleep with me." 8 But he refused.

- 8 ... "Look," he said to his master's wife, "with me here, my master does not concern himself with anything in his house, and he has entrusted everything he owns to my care. 9 No one in this house is greater than I am. He has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife.
  - So how could I do such a great evil and sin against God?"

- 10 Although Potiphar's wife spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or be with her.
- 11 One day, however, Joseph went into the house to attend to his work, and not a single household servant was inside.
- 12 She grabbed Joseph by his cloak and said, "Sleep with me!" But leaving his cloak in her hand, he escaped and ran outside.

- 13 When she saw that he had left his cloak in her hand and had run out of the house, 14 she called her household servants. "Look," she said, "this Hebrew has been brought to us to make sport of us. He came to me so he could sleep with me, but I screamed as loud as I could.
- 15 When he heard me scream for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house."

**Genesis 39** 16 So Potiphar's wife kept Joseph's cloak beside her until his master came home. 17 Then she told him the same story: "The Hebrew slave you brought us came to me to make sport of me, 18 but when I screamed for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house."

**Genesis 39** 19 When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, "This is what your slave did to me," he burned with anger. 20 So Joseph's master took him and had him thrown into the prison where the king's prisoners were confined.

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  21 the LORD was with him and extended kindness to him.
- He granted him favor in the eyes of the prison warden, 22 who put all those held in the prison under Joseph's authority, so that he was responsible for all that was done there.
  - 23 The warden did not concern himself with anything under Joseph's authority, because the LORD was with him and gave him success in whatever he did.

#### **Romans 8**

- 28 And we know that God works all things together for the good of those who love Him, who are called according to His purpose. 29 For those God foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers.
  - 30 And those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified.

- 31 What then shall we say in response to these things?
- If God is for us, who can be against us?
  - 32 He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also, along with Him, freely give us all things?
- 33 Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.
  - 34 Who is there to condemn us?
  - For Christ Jesus, who died, and more than that was raised to life, is at the right hand of God—and He is interceding for us.

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35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall trouble or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? 36 As it is written:

"For Your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

Romans 8 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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2 Peter 1 5 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith virtue; and to virtue, knowledge; 6 and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; 7and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

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