

The background of the slide is a photograph of an ancient Egyptian temple interior. It features several large, standing statues of pharaohs or deities, carved from light-colored stone. The statues are positioned between massive columns that are also covered in hieroglyphs. The lighting is warm, highlighting the textures of the stone and the details of the carvings.

Slave Prospering Potiphar

(Genesis 39:1-6)

(3 Perspectives)

I. What God is up to with Joseph.

Psalm 1:1-3

“How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree *firmly* planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers.”

II Chronicles 31:20 & 21

“Thus Hezekiah did throughout all Judah; and he did what *was* good, right and true before the LORD his God. Every work which he began in the service of the house of God in law and in commandment, seeking his God, he did with all his heart and prospered.”

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**II. Joseph and his
circumstances.**



“So often adverse circumstances find us bemoaning our fate instead of looking for ways to glorify the lord Jesus in them and through them. We have to learn life’s adversities before we can be trusted with life’s advancements.”

– John Phillips

“Not for Joseph was the long face, the sullen look, the resentful air. Not for him were senseless criticisms of fate and long, wasted hours plotting revenge. Not for him the futile cursing of God and the gnawing cancer of longed-for revenge. Not for Joseph the dull acquiescence with fate that would have turned him into a plodding brute. Evidently Joseph decided, once the initial stunning shock was absorbed, that God had some wise purpose in allowing him to be sold as a slave. So young Joseph gave himself to the task of becoming the very best slave Potiphar ever had, and Potiphar noticed, for he was a shrewd judge of men accustomed to command.” – John Phillips

Ephesians 6:5 & 6

“Slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ; not by way of eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.”

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“The best advertisement of Christianity is a good life. People read us a great deal more than they read the Bible.”

– Alexander MacLeran