

Framed for Fleeing Temptation
Genesis 39:1-20

Joseph prospers greatly because the Lord is with him. 1-6a

- ◆ God is with Joseph as earlier Patriarch, 21:22, 26:24,28, 28:15.
- ◆ How might Joseph's outlook change as he is being promoted?

Joseph resists sexual temptation but is framed. 6b-18

- ◆ The actions of Potiphar's wife should recall Sarah's problems.
- ◆ Compare Joseph's lengthy reasoned response to the short, blunt command from Potiphar's wife. Don't miss the reasons Joseph offers for rejecting her advances!
- ◆ Since Potiphar's wife wouldn't give up, should Joseph have considered doing something else besides just refusing her?
- ◆ Potiphar's wife falsely accuses Joseph (reveals anti-Semitism) plus puts a guilt trip on Potiphar to rile him up into action.

Joseph unjustly ends up in prison for being faithful. 19,20

- ◆ Though not mentioned, no doubt Joseph pleaded innocent, which turned this into a "He said, she said."
- ◆ What appears to be Potiphar's position on all this?
- ◆ What are some takeaways for us from this episode, which had to have been devastating and shocking to Joseph.

