

Bible Character series of readings – week 11

10th January - Joseph

Monday: Genesis 37: 2-17. Family: Joseph was favoured by his father, but rejected by his brothers, who plotted his death (v18) and sold him as a slave. Thank God for your family, especially if you have been treated better than Joseph!

Tuesday: Genesis 39:1-23. Testing times: Badly treated, unfairly accused, imprisoned. A terrible start to his adult life, “But The Lord was with him” (v21). Whatever we suffer, God can change it for good.

Wednesday: Genesis 41:15-40. Faithfulness rewarded: Years of faithfully walking with God, prepared him for greatness. What area of service has God called you to be faithful in?

Thursday: Genesis 42:1-24. Changed beyond recognition: Joseph was a different man, but so were his brothers, as Joseph’s testing of them showed. In what ways have you matured in recent years as God has been at work in you?

Friday: Genesis 44:25 - 45:15. Forgiveness and God’s providence. What does verse 7 teach you about Joseph, and about the way God provides for his people? How can you respond to these truths?