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“LIFE OF JOSEPH”

DYSFUNCTIONAL

Joseph’s family was dysfunctional. There is favoritism, confusion, disorder, sibling rivalry and hatred in the family; tension is constantly brewing. Disunity so often plague families, friends, co-workers, neighbors and destroy relationships. This was a troubled family. Satan creeps in and influence people to focus on getting even instead of working through their differences.

BACKGROUND – *Genesis 37:1* the author makes a point that Jacob and his father (Isaac) lived in a strange land. Whenever there’s a promotion, promise, progress, or advancement comes a trial, test, struggle, challenge, or attack by the enemy. *Genesis 12:1-2*. God promised Abraham to make him great, but he had to leave his family, friends and all he knew. *Genesis 22:17* God promised Abraham to multiply his offspring’s as the stars of heaven and as the sand on the seashore. Abraham had one son (Isaac) by Sarah and it was a struggle. Isaac had Jacob and Jacob had Joseph and it’s a struggle in this family.

The lesson is coming from *Genesis Chapter 37*.

1. Tattletale v. 2
2. Favoritism v. 3-4
3. Dream (Vision) v. 5-8
4. 2nd Dream (Confirmation) v. 9-11
5. Reports v. 12-14
6. Plot (Dream Killer) v. 17b-20
7. Level Head v. 21-22
8. Thrown in Pit v. 23-24
9. Sold Into Slavery v. 25-28
10. Cover Up v. 31-32