"God meant it for good"

STUDY 5

Reading: Genesis 39:11-23



"But one day..."

Home Fellowship Group Bible Study Questions

Tuesday 29th/Wednesday 30th November 2016

In our last study, we observed how Joseph maintained a consciousness of God through the challenge of temptation.

- 1) What do verses 11 and 12 tell us about the situation now; and how Joseph deals with it?
- 2) How does Potiphar's wife manipulate the situation in verses 13-18? What is her motivation?
- 3) Potiphar's reaction to what his wife tells him is expected. But what do verses 19 and 20 tell us about God's providence in this terrible situation?

We might be forgiven at this stage to question whether God had forsaken Joseph. The outward circumstances suggest this. Prison would not have been pleasant (see Psalm 105:17-19). But... then we read verses 21-23.

- 4) Why is verse 21 so key?
- 5) God gave Joseph favour with the keeper of the prison in verses 22 and 23. Where have we seen something like this before? Why is it significant?
- 6) As we look at the story so far; what part is Joseph playing; and what part is the Lord playing?