

**God's Dreamer**  
**Faith Heroes – Part 1**  
Life Church St. Louis – September 8, 2019  
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*Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV) For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.*

*Acts 2:17 (ESV) “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;*

**1. God's \_\_\_\_\_ of you**

*Genesis 37:2a (ESV) Joseph, being seventeen years old, was pasturing the flock with his brothers. He was a boy with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives.*

**1A. Your \_\_\_\_\_ of origin**

*Genesis 37:2b-4 (ESV) And Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peacefully to him.*

**1B. Your God-given \_\_\_\_\_**

*Genesis 37:5 (ESV) Now Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers they hated him even more.*

*Genesis 37:10 (ESV) But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him and said to him, “What is this dream that you have dreamed? Shall I and your mother and your brothers indeed come to bow ourselves to the ground before you?”*

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ on the dream**

*Genesis 37:13 (ESV) And Israel said to Joseph, “Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.” And he said to him, “Here I am.”*

**2A. Attacks on your \_\_\_\_\_**

*Genesis 37:18 (ESV) They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him.*

*Genesis 37:22 (ESV) And Reuben said to them, “Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him”—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father.*

**2B. Attacks on your \_\_\_\_\_**

*Genesis 37:26-27 (ESV) Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers listened to him.*

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ of family sin**

**3A. \_\_\_\_\_ of parents**

*Genesis 37:31-32 (ESV) Then they took Joseph's robe and slaughtered a goat and dipped the robe in the blood. And they sent the robe of many colors and brought it to their father and said, “This we have found; please identify whether it is your son's robe or not.”*

**3B. God's plan \_\_\_\_\_**

*Genesis 37:35-36 (ESV) All his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted and said, “No, I shall go down to Sheol to my son, mourning.” Thus his father wept for him. Meanwhile the Midianites had sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard.*

**Action Plan for This Week**

Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading & prayer (Genesis 37)  
 Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat  Sun

Invite a friend to the service next Sunday.

How will I obey God's Word this week? \_\_\_\_\_

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Intro. Why do you think that there are stories in the Bible about faith heroes?

Intro. What is true about God's plans for your life (Jeremiah 29:11)?

Intro. How does God reveal His plans for your life (Acts 2:17)?

1A. What may have been some of Joseph's challenges in life being the second to last born (Genesis 37:1a)?

1B. Why did Joseph's brothers hate him (Genesis 37:2b-4)? Was this Joseph's fault?

1C. Why do you think that God gave Joseph prophetic dreams (Genesis 37:5)?

1D. Why did Joseph's father rebuke him for the second dream (Genesis 37:10)?

1E. Why do people often err in their interpretation of the dreams or plans that God gives them?

1F. If you don't think that God has given you a dream or plan for your life, how can you hear from Him?

2A. What (or who) was behind Joseph's brother's attack on his life (Genesis 37:17-18)?

2B. Why did Reuben intervene on Joseph's behalf (Genesis 37:22)?

2C. How was the brother's plans an attack on Joseph's family relationships (Genesis 37:26-27)?

2D. In what ways does Satan attack God's plans or dream for your life?

3A. How did the brother's sin against Joseph lead to sin against their father (Genesis 37:31-32)?

3B. What examples of God's sovereignty do you see in Genesis 37 with regard to God's plan for Joseph's life (and for his family)?

3C. Why is attack on relationships one of Satan's primary methods to derail God's plans for people?

3D. In what ways can you pursue God's plan for your life?