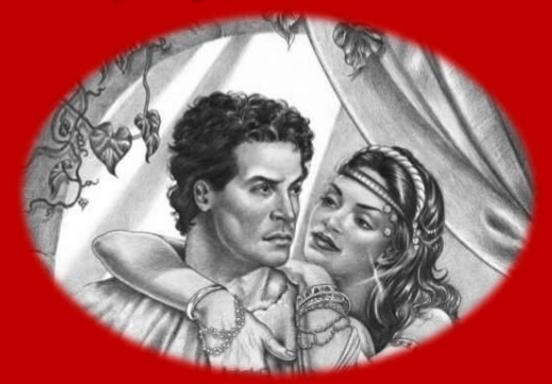
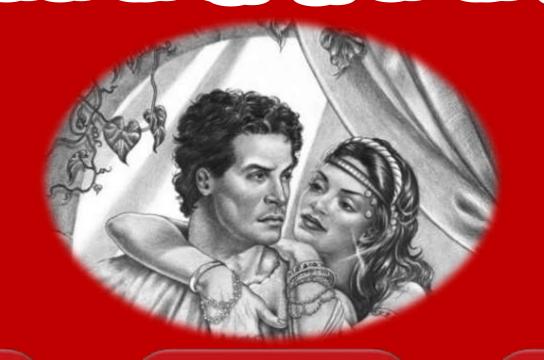
# Joseph

- Favored son of Jacob (Gen. 37)
- > Brothers sold him to Midianite traders (Gen. 37)
- Midianites sold him to Potiphar in Egypt (Gen. 37:36)
- Rose in power & brought blessing to Potiphar's house (Gen. 39:1-6)
- Potiphar's wife tried to seduce him (Gen. 39:7-18)



Gen. 39:7-23



She Seduced Him He Resisted Her Results
That
Followed





#### A. His Youth

- 1. Age: 18-28 (cf. 37:2; 41:46, 1)
- 2. Are desires that are strong in youth (2 Tim. 2:22)
- 3. Time when desire may be the strongest (1 Cor. 7:9)
- 4. Learn: are young with faith & principle!



#### A. His Youth

#### B. She Solicited Him

- 1. Not he seducing her!
- 2. She "cast longing eyes" on him (v. 7)
  - a. "looked with desire at Joseph" (NASB)
  - b. "began making eyes at Joseph" (LBP)
  - c. Flirt with her eyes (Prov. 6:25)
  - d. Or may mean: eye set to target him!



- A. His Youth
- B. She Solicited Him
- C. She Told Him How Far Willing to Go
  - 1. Not toying flirting only to tease
  - 2. Said: "come lie with me" (v.7)
  - 3. Few young men in Egypt could resist!



- A. His Youth
- B. She Solicited Him
- C. She Told Him How Far Willing to Go
- D. Repetition of It
  - 1. Resisting first instance not too hard
    - a. Eve resisted at first then yielded (Gen. 3:1-6)
    - b. Samson resisted Delilah (Judges 16)
  - 2. Continual and daily (v. 10)
  - 3. Designed to wear him down (Prov. 6:26)



- A. His Youth
- B. She Solicited Him
- C. She Told Him How Far Willing to Go
- D. Repetition of It
- E. Convenient Opportunity
  - 1. Fact easily get caught is a deterrent
  - 2. Master gone no one else around (v.11)
  - 3. Being alone is enticing (Prov. 7:19-20)
  - 4. Danger: being alone with no one around!!



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I. The Temptation Was Strong



#### A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)

- 1. Said "NO" (vv. 8, 10)
- 2. Spoke of trust (v. 8)
- 3. Recalled sacredness of marriage (v. 9)
- 4. Called it wickedness [evil] (v. 9)
- 5. Called it sin against God (v. 9)



- A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)
- B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)
  - 1. Refused to be with her (v. 10)
    - a. "or even be with her (NIV)
    - b. "kept out of her way as much as possible" (LBP)
    - c. Understood danger of association
    - d. Hang around could easily lead to…
    - e. Prov. 5:8 do not go near the door of her...



- A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)
- B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)
  - 1. Refused to be with her (v. 10)
  - 2. Fled and ran outside (v. 12)
    - a. Literally!
    - b. Removed himself from temptation
    - c. Actions showed his words were real
    - d. May have to leave house, car, room, etc.



- A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)
- B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)
- C. Resisted Promptly (vv. 8, 12)
  - 1. Without the slightest hesitation
  - 2. Without any dallying with the temptation
  - 3. No waiting to see how far this may go



- A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)
- B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)
- C. Resisted Promptly (vv. 8, 12)
- D. Resisted Firmly (vv. 8-10)
  - 1. No wavering
  - 2. No indecision
  - 3. No pushing aside something that he secretly desired
  - 4. Said "no" and meant it!



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I. The Temptation Was Strong

II. The Resistance Was Firm

III. The Results Were Clear



#### A. See the Difference and Love and Lust

- 1. The woman lusted for him did not love him!
  - a. Evidence: her lie & effort to destroy him (vv. 14-ff)
  - b. "But indeed all illicit passion, whether gratified or baulked, has a tendency sooner or later to become transformed into hate" (Pulpit)
- 2. One who lust after you not necessarily love you!
  - a. Lust seek gratification
  - b. Love cares about the person



- A. See the Difference and Love and Lust
- B. See What He Lost
  - 1. Lost his coat (vv. 12-13)
  - 2. Lost his job (v. 20)
  - 3. Lost his freedom (v. 20)
  - 4. Lost his standing / approval of man (vv. 14-23)
  - 5. You may lose: boyfriend, girlfriend, standing among "friends"



- A. See the Difference and Love and Lust
- B. See What He Lost
- C. See What He Kept
  - 1. Kept his purity
  - 2. Kept his honor (Prov. 6:33)
  - 3. Kept his conscience
  - 4. Kept his reputation among the godly
  - 5. Kept his relationship with God (vv. 21-23)



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