

## One Man > Genesis 41:1-57

**41:1-8** *Joseph needed.* We begin with Joseph still in prison. Yet, he will soon be needed because Pharaoh has had two dreams, neither of which his wisest counselors can interpret.

**41:9-36** *Joseph remembered.* Joseph is summoned before Pharaoh and makes very clear that only God can interpret dreams. As we've seen before, Joseph is used by the Lord to interpret dreams, and Pharaoh's speak to the future: there will be seven good years of crops and then seven bad years of famine. Joseph continues by suggesting a plan for how to respond to what God will soon do.

**41:37-45** *Joseph elevated.* In a complete turn of events, Joseph – the foreign prisoner – is made the second most powerful person in all of Egypt so that he can prepare the nation for the coming years of famine.

**41:46-57** *Joseph blessed.* Joseph himself recognizes how God's hand has been in everything that has happened. And God isn't done yet, as we'll see in the next chapter.

**Context:** Joseph appears to be forgotten in an Egyptian jail, but God never forgets His people.

**Argument:** God often uses one person to make a difference. Here, it will be Joseph in Egypt for the benefit of the nation.

**Gospel:** Ultimately, the One Man who makes a difference for everyone is Jesus. He is the hinge point of all history and how we respond to Jesus determines our eternal destiny.

**Applications:** Is Christ the One Man who has changed the course of your life? Who else will you introduce to Him?

**Here is how I will apply these truths:** \_\_\_\_\_

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