

Title: Family History
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Genesis 37:4-5

⁴ But when his brothers saw that their **father loved him more** than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peaceably to him.

⁵ Now Joseph **had a dream**, and he told *it* to his brothers; and they hated him even more.

Genesis 37:18

¹⁸ Now when they saw him afar off, even before he came near them, they conspired against him to kill him.

Attempts to kill the prophetic word:

1. Rejection

Ezekiel 16:3b-5

to do any of these things for you, to have compassion on you; but you were thrown out into the open field, when **you yourself were loathed on the day you were born**.

2. Stripping of identity

Genesis 37:23

²³ So it came to pass, when Joseph had come to his brothers, that they **stripped Joseph of his tunic**, the tunic of *many* colors that *was* on him.

3. Concealment

Genesis 37:24

²⁴ Then they took him and **cast him into a pit**. And the pit *was* empty; *there was* no water in it.

4. Lies

Genesis 39:12, 16-18

to us came in to me to mock me; ¹⁸ so it happened, as I lifted my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me and fled outside."

5. Unfair treatment

Genesis 39:20

²⁰ Then Joseph's master took him and **put him into the prison**, a place where the king's prisoners were confined. And he was there in the prison.

How to succeed to royalty:

1. Hang on to the dream

2. Serve

Genesis 39:4

⁴ So Joseph found favor in his sight, and **served** him. Then he made him overseer of his house, and all *that* he had he put under his authority.

3. Love

Genesis 40:7

⁷ So he asked Pharaoh's officers who *were* with him in the custody of his lord's house, saying, "**Why do you look so sad today?**"

4. Stay sharp in the Spirit

Isaiah 41:15-16

shall carry them away, And the whirlwind shall **scatter** them; You shall rejoice in the Lord, and glory in the Holy One of Israel.

Micah 4:13a; 5:1a

¹³ "Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; for I will make your horn **iron**, and I will make your hooves **bronze**;

¹ Now gather yourself in **troops**...

Proverbs 18:16

¹⁶ **A man's gift** makes room for him, and brings him before great men.

Genesis 41: 38-40a

³⁸ And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find *such a one* as this, a man **in whom is the Spirit of God**?"

³⁹ Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, *there is* no one as discerning and wise as you."

Genesis 41: 38-40a

⁴⁰ You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word...