THE STORY

FINDING YOUR STORY IN GOD'S STORY

Joseph: From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh Chapter 3 March 8, 2015

I. Joseph is sold into **SLAVERY**. (Genesis 37)

- A. He was his father's **FAVORITE.** (v. 3)
- B. He **DREAMED** of being bowed to. (v. 7, 9)
- C. He is **SOLD** to the Ishmaelites. (v. 28)

II. Joseph is put into <u>PRISON</u> while in Egypt. (Genesis 39 -41)

- A. He is **FALSELY** accused. (39:13-20)
- B. In prison he is able to **INTERPRET** dreams. (Ch. 40)
- C. Upper and Lower Story **INTERSECT:**

"The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered ... "Gen 39:2

III. Joseph is PROMOTED in Egypt. (Genesis 41)

- A. He interprets **PHARAOH'S** dreams. (41:1-40)
 - 1. Dream #1: 7 years of bountiful harvests
 - 2. Dream #2: 7 years of famine

IV. Joseph is <u>REUNITED</u> with his brothers. (Genesis 42-44)

A. They bow down to Joseph. (42:6)

V. Joseph was God's <u>AGENT</u> (Genesis 45-50)

A. Joseph reveals God's **UPPER** Story.

"So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt." (45:8)

B. God continues to build His **NATION**

"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." (50:20)