

# ***TREASURE IN YOUR SACKS***

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# **I. THE PLAGUES**

- **Egyptian Plagues (Ex. 7-11)**
- **Revelation Plagues**

## 2 Peter 3:9

**NASB77:** *<sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.*

**MSG:** *<sup>9</sup> God isn't late with his promise as some measure lateness. He is restraining himself on account of you, holding back the End because he doesn't want anyone lost. He's giving everyone space and time to change.*

## Revelation 9:20-21 NLT

***<sup>20</sup> But the people who did not die in these plagues still refused to repent of their evil deeds and turn to God. They continued to worship demons and idols made of gold, silver, bronze, stone, and wood—idols that can neither see nor hear nor walk! <sup>21</sup> And they did not repent of their murders or their witchcraft (NKJV: sorceries) or their sexual immorality or their thefts.***

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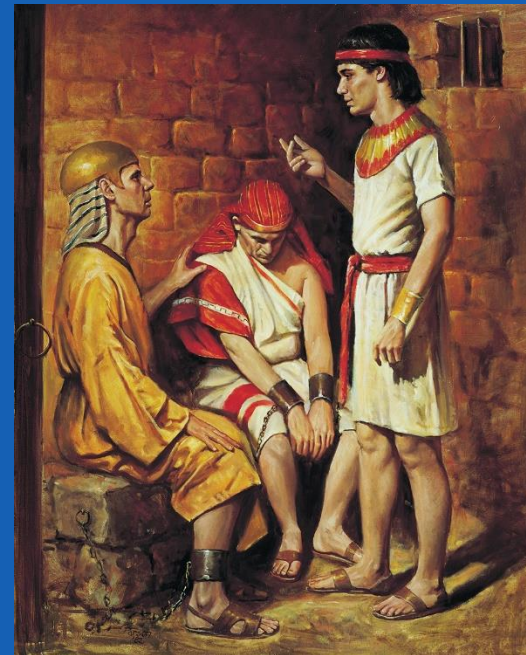
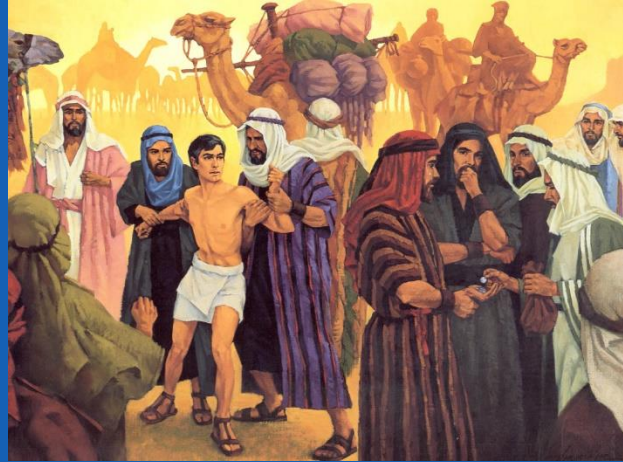
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**The Greek word is *pharmakeia*  
*Magic arts, medication, drugs,  
alcohol, to dull the pain, lower  
inhibitions, draw you into occult  
and addiction***

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# **1. HUNGER PRODUCES** **MOVEMENT**

**Spiritual hunger takes us  
beyond our comfort zones**

## **2. HUNGER DOESN'T LET PRIDE KEEP YOU AWAY**



***Joseph recognizes them but they don't recognize him.***

### **3. HUNGER MAKES US RESPONSIVE TO JESUS AS HE DEALS WITH US**

- *Cast into the pit and sold at 17*
- *Servant of Potiphar for 10 years*
- *In Jail for 3 years*
- *Stood before Pharaoh at age 30*

## Psalm 105:19

**NKJV: <sup>19</sup> Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of the LORD tested him.**

**NLT: <sup>19</sup> Until the time came to fulfill his dreams, the LORD tested Joseph's character.**

**NOW IT'S TIME FOR**  
***THE BROTHERS TEST***

## Genesis 42:35 NLT

**35 As they emptied out their sacks, there in each man's sack was the bag of money he had paid for the grain! The brothers and their father were terrified when they saw the bags of money.**

**HUNGER BRINGS YOU TO A  
RESPONSIVE HEART**

## Genesis 43: 22-23 NKJV

**22** And we have brought down other money in our hands to buy food. We do not know who put our money in our sacks." **23** But he said, "Peace be with you, do not be afraid. *Your God and the God of your father has given you treasure in your sacks;* I had your money." Then he brought Simeon out to them...

**4. HUNGER LEADS US TO**  
**REPENTANCE AND**  
**RESTORATION**

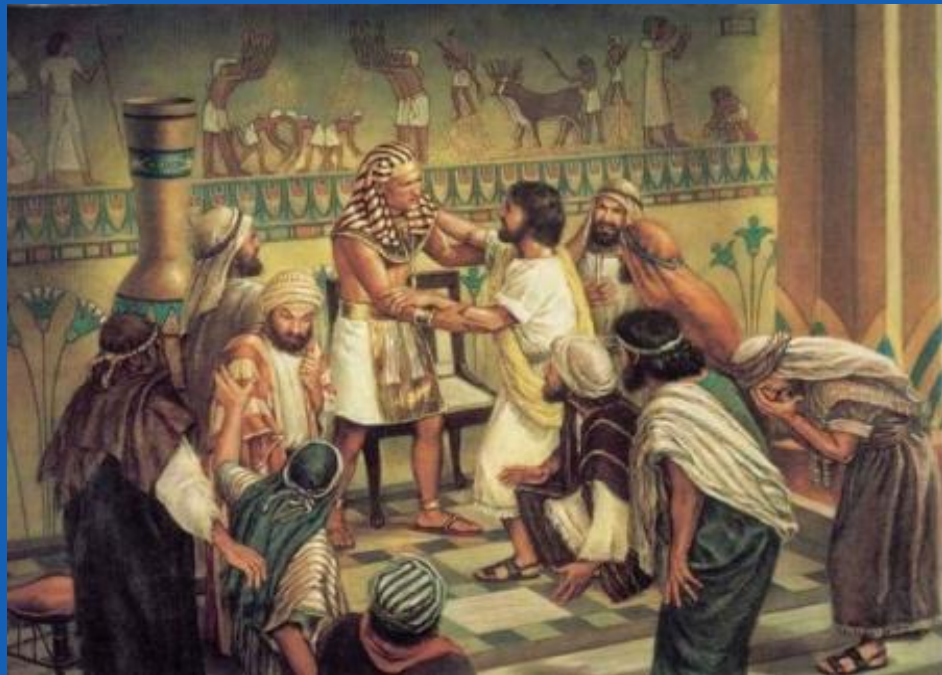


## Genesis 45:4-7 NKJV

**4** "I *am* Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. **5** But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for *God sent me* before you to preserve life. .. **7** *God sent me* before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

## Genesis 45:8 NKJV

***8 So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt***



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- 3. THEY CHANGED THEIR LIVES TO STAY IN HIS PRESENCE**

## Genesis 47:11-12 NKJV

**11 And Joseph situated his father and his brothers, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded. 12 Then Joseph provided his father, his brothers, and all his father's household with bread, according to the number in *their* families.**



## Matthew 4:4 NKJV

***4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.' "***

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