

## Sermon Outline for July 20, 2008

### *Lessons in Greatness — Part Five* Genesis, Chapters 37-50

#### CIRCUMSTANCES

*“Now Jacob loved Joseph more than any of his sons,  
because he had been born to him in his old age;  
and he made a richly ornamented robe for him.”*  
(37:3)

*“When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them,  
they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.”*  
(37:4)

*“Come now, let’s kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns  
and say that a ferocious animal devoured him.”*  
(37:20)

#### FIRST:

#### HAD

*“. . . can we find anyone like this man,  
one in whom is the spirit of God?”*  
(41:38)

*“Whoever can be trusted with very little  
can also be trusted with much,  
and whoever is dishonest with very little  
will also be dishonest with much.”*  
Luke 16:10



*“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men,  
since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward . . .”*  
Colossians 3:23-24

#### SECOND:

#### HAD

*“. . . my master does not concern himself with anything in the house;  
everything he owns he has entrusted to my care.” . . .*  
*“How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?”*  
(39:8-9)

*“Evil people will be paid back for their evil ways,  
and good people will be rewarded for their good ones.”* Proverbs 14:14 (NCV)

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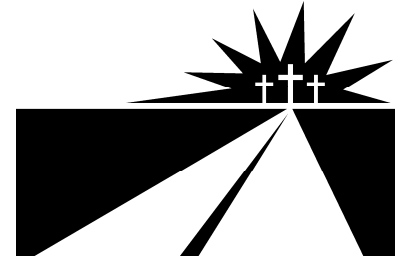
**THIRD:** \_\_\_\_\_ **HAD** \_\_\_\_\_.

*“ . . . the Lord was with him . . . ”*  
(39:21)

*“ . . . God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth  
and to save your lives by a great deliverance.  
So then it was not you who sent me here, but God . . . ”*  
(45:7-9)

*“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)

*“Trust in the Lord with all your heart  
and lean not on your own understanding;  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make your paths straight.”*  
Proverbs 3:5-6



*“Whatever happens,  
conduct yourselves in a manner  
worthy of the gospel of Christ.”*  
Philippians 1:27

**GOOD**  
is GREAT!