

New Chapter  
Gen 37:3-24  
41:41-44

Anyone reading the story of Joseph has to come to the same conclusion.

1. Joseph was anointed
2. Joseph was favored by God,
3. Joseph was definitely favored by his earthly father
4. Joseph had a God given destiny and dream over his life.

But the truth is: This same Joseph who was so anointed and had so many things in his favor also had some bad chapters in his life.

A chapter is any distinct period in history or in a person's life.

A series of related events forming an episode.

A sequence of events especially when presumed related and likely to continue.

Joseph was hated, betrayed and rejected by his brothers.

Stripped of his coat of many colors by his brothers.

And thrown into a pit and left to die.

That was a chapter in Joseph's life.

How many would agree that was a bad chapter, a sad chapter?

How many would agree that Joseph probably shed some tears in that chapter of his life?

Some of you I'm talking to you right now might feel a lot like Joseph.

You've been lied on, rejected, stripped, betrayed, hurt, abused, beat down, beat up, knock down, and thrown into a pit and left to die.

**But I have word for you today (you're going to disappoint some people, you're not going to die in the pit.)**

In fact God said to prophesy to you today. (New chapter)

What looked like and felt like a sad end is just making room for a new chapter.

I don't know who that's for but you know.

Some chapters in a book are long and some are short.

Some are happy and some are sad.

Some make you laugh and some make you cry.

But whether it's long or short happy or sad, all chapters of a book have one thing in common. (They end.)

God told me to come here and prophesy to somebody who has had a bad chapter in your life.

(it's not over) your story is bigger than one bad chapter!

And the best is yet to come.

I want to stop here and say something.

Never judge a person by a bad chapter in their life. **(illustrate reading someone's last chapter.....)**

**My last chapter may have been long and sad. But don't try to finish my story based on one bad chapter.**

If you looked at Joseph in the pit, or Daniel in the lion's den, or Jonah in the belly of the whale, or the three Hebrew children in the fiery furnace, you may have thought their story ended there.

But that was just a bad chapter in their lives.

Is anybody here glad that **your story is bigger than one bad chapter?**

I need to remind someone: Joseph went to the pit but he went from the pit to the palace,

Daniel came out of the Lions Den with all his fingers and toes.

The three Hebrew boys came out of the fiery furnace and were promoted.

Jonah came out of the belly of the whale and preached a revival and 120 thousand people got saved.

Don't judge me by a bad chapter in my life.

**I came to prophesy to somebody today who has had a bad chapter in your life**

**you've felt like Joseph in the pit, or like Daniel in the lion's den, or you've felt like the three Hebrew boys walking through the fire, or like Jonah in the belly of the whale.**

**You felt the fire, you felt the hot breath of the Lions on your neck, you've heard them growling as they stalked you day and night.**

**You felt like Jonah in the belly of the whale like God was a million miles away.  
Maybe for you it's been a long chapter like the woman with the issue of blood who suffered for 12 long years.  
Or maybe it could even be one of those extended chapters the extra long chapters that seem like it will never end like the man at the pool Bethesda who suffered for 38 years.  
I don't know how long its been but I know this; I know God said prophesy (new chapter.)  
God said to tell you when you leave this place today you're walking into a new chapter.**

My freinds: **What the devil wants to do is to kill the dreamer in you.** (Think about some people's personal stories....)

See the devil knows if he can kill the dreamer in you then you will be no threat to him.

**But I came on an assignment today**

**I came to wake up the dreamer in you**

**I came to speak to the Destiny God put in you**

**I came to speak to the anointing in your belly**

**I came to stir the embers and fan the flame**

**I came to rebuke hopelessness, discouragement, and despair**

**I came to cast out fear and disappointment and disillusionment**

I believe while I'm talking to you something in your belly is stirring. Something in your belly is waking up.

Like Joseph you may have been stripped of your coat of many colors

You may have lost your job, you may have went through a bad divorce

You may have lost your house, you may have lost your health and your peace and your joy

You may have even lost your faith for a while

You may have been places and done things that you knew were wrong.

You may have let anger and resentment and hatred and unforgiveness fill your heart.

But that was the last chapter.

Everybody say: last chapter

When you looked at me in my last chapter I was broken, I was humiliated, I was miserable, I was lame, I was angry, I was hurt, I was disappointed, I was lonely, I was crying.

But that was my last chapter.

Look at your neighbor and prophesy to them and tell them: I see a new chapter opening in your life.

Now tell your neighbor I see you in your next chapter and you're looking good.

You're looking good in your new anointing!

You're looking good in your new clothes!

You're looking good in your new joy!

You're looking good in your new prosperity.

And now tell your neighbor: neighbor you better be careful how you treat me, I'm going somewhere.

You might need me.

Tell your neighbor: **today's dreamer is tomorrow's deliverer.**

Tell your neighbor neighbor **don't kill the dreamer the dreamer is your deliverer.**

Tell your neighbor: just stretch out your hand and touch your deliverer.

**You may have seen me in the pit, in my last chapter but that was just a temporary inconvenience.**

The Bible says Joseph dreamed again.

In fact Joseph said: I have dreamed a dream more.

In otherwords: Joseph said (I have dreamed a bigger dream)

Somebody is going to dream again today.

And you're not just going to dream again (you're going to dream more!)

Somebody is coming out of the pit today.

Somebody is coming out of the fire today.

Somebody is coming out of the Lions Den today.

Let me make it a little plainer somebody is coming out of depression today.

Somebody is coming out of darkness, disappointment  
Somebody is coming out of anger and unforgiveness.  
Somebody is coming out of hopelessness and despair.

Church it was not Joseph's coat of many colors that brought him out of the pit, it wasn't even his dreams that brought him out of the pit and I know this will come as a surprise but it wasn't even his anointing that brought him out of the pit.

It was Judah

Judah means praise:

Isa 61:3 *put on the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, the oil of joy for mourning and beauty for Ashes.*

Ps 34:1 *I will bless the Lord at all times, David said his praise shall continually be in my mouth. From the rising of the Sun to the going down of the same the name of the Lord is to be praised.*

And let me remind you of Paul and Silas in the midnight hour, beaten black and blue! Thrust into the inner prison, chained hands and feet.

The bible says: they prayed and sang praises to God and God shook the prison off its foundations and the doors off their hinges and every prisoners bands were loosed.

Tell your neighbor: **There's power in your praise.**

God said to prophesy new chapter.

He said to tell you: this is your season of restitution, restoration.

He said this is your season for a new anointing.

And this anointing is going to destroy the yokes in your life.

And this anointing is going to unlock a new chapter and a new season of restitution and restoration.

He said this new level of anointing is not coming on everyone.

Its not coming on the murmurers and complainers.

Its not coming on the moaners and the groaners.

Its not coming on the critical and judgmental.

Its not coming on the religious and self righteous.

Its not coming on the condensending.

Its not coming on the hypocritical.

Its not coming on the lazy and the indifferent.

But this new anointing for a new chapter is coming on the hungry and thirsty.

It's coming on those who love God and hate sin.

It's coming on the passionate.

It's coming on the praisers.

**Just like Judah brought Joseph up out of the pit.**

**Praise is going to take you into your new chapter.**

**Praise is the introduction to your new chapter.**

God said if you'll praise him he will start a new chapter in your life today.

He said if you'll praise him like you're already there he will turn things around for you.

If you'll give him a palace praise from the pit he'll take you to the palace.

**There's a prophecy hidden in your praise.**

Tell your neighbor there's a prophecy hidden in my praise.

**Your praise is dressing you for what God is going to do next:**

When Pharaoh called for Joseph he was still in the prison but he changed his clothes and he shaved himself and he got himself ready for the next level.

Your praise is dressing for your next level (your new chapter)

Look at your neighbor and tell them: I don't want to embarrass you, But you're standing in my dressing room, and you'll just have to excuse me while I change clothes.

I got to get off some heaviness

I got to shed some depression, and anxiety and stress

I got to strip off this pride and anger and unforgiveness

I got to lay aside every weight and the sin that has so easily beset me

I'm stripping off the garment of heaviness, the garment of discouragement, the garment of hopelessness and

I'm getting my praise on.

Your praise is dressing for where you're going next.

If you want to know what's coming next in my life just look at my praise.

If you want to know where I'm going next in my life just listen to my praise.

There's a prophecy hidden in my praise.

My friend let me ask you **what is your praise prophesying?**

What is your praise saying?

I'm going to give you some time to get on your feet and prophesy your next chapter.

Somebody needs to get on your feet and prophesy: prophesy with your mouth.

Somebody needs to prophesy with your hands.

Somebody needs to prophesy with your feet.

Is anybody going anywhere?

Is anybody ready for a new chapter?

Somebody needs to shout your way out and shout your way in.

Dance your way out and dance your way in.

You say I don't feel like praising: you say I don't feel like dancin, I don't feel like shouting .

This doesn't have anything to do with your feelings it has to do with putting feet on your faith or I could say; praise is getting your faith on its feet.

Somebody needs to get your faith on its feet today and give God some praise.

Give him some real praise

Give him a palace praise

Give him a new chapter praise

Praise him for where you see yourself in your new chapter.

Praise him for what you see God doing in your life in your new chapter.

I know I'm not talking to everybody, but somebody is sick and tired of being sick and tired.

Somebody has felt like you' ve been stuck in a bad chapter of your life that was never going to end.

Somebody's been in the fire, in the pit and the Lion's Den, And somebody is ready for a new chapter.

I can feel it happening right now.

I feel the anointing coming.

I feel it turning in my spirit right now.

Now say it out: God is turning the page.

There's a new chapter in my life.

There's a miracle in your praise today.

There's a deliverance in your praise today

There's healing in your praise today.

Praise is taking you into your new chapter.

You may have closed this last chapter with tears but this new chapter opens with praise

Weeping may endure for the night but joy cometh in the morning

Somebody just needs to say: (Hello Morning) hello joy

I've been wating on you! I've been expecting you!

**Somebody shout: I feel my Judah coming**

God said to tell you, he is going to use your praise to make the devil give up your stuff.

God is going to use your praise to make the devil cough it up.

**Job 20:15** *He hath swallowed down riches and he shall vomit them up again, God shall cast them out of his belly*

That means God is going to sock him in the stomach and make him cough up your stuff.

**Vs 18** *That which he labored for shall he restore, and shall not swallow it down. According to his substance, shall the restitution be. And he shall not rejoice therein.*

Now I want you to lift your hands and lift your voice and praise God for a new chapter.

While your praising him pages are turning

While you're praising him God is putting the period to a bad chapter in your life

While you're praising him the anointing is increasing, chains are breaking, yokes are being destroyed.

While you're praising him angels are being activated, God is making the Devil cough up your stuff

While your praising him doors are opening, restoration is coming.  
Come on and turn your praise into a weapon and hit the devil in the gut and tell him you're taking back your stuff.

You're taking it back (it's a new season, a new chapter)

In this chapter we get it back

We get our joy back

Our peace

Our finances

Our children

Our health

Our anointing

Our dreams

We're taking it back (we're getting our dance back, our shout, our fire)

I'm getting my smile back

Come on and lift your hands and praise God for a new chapter in your life.