



For The Better Problems...Think Again

Key Scripture

Ephesians 4:23 TLB

Now your attitudes and thoughts must all be constantly changing for the better.

The Problem with the Truth

Genesis 37:5-9 NCV

5 One time Joseph had a dream, and when he told his brothers about it, they hated him even more. 6 Joseph said, "Listen to the dream I had. 7 We were in the field tying bundles of wheat together. My bundle stood up, and your bundles of wheat gathered around it and bowed down to it." 8 His brothers said, "Do you really think you will be king over us?"

Do you truly think you will rule over us?"

His brothers hated him even more because of his dreams and what he had said.

9 Then Joseph had another dream, and he told his brothers about it also. He said, "Listen, I had another dream. I saw the sun, moon, and eleven stars bowing down to me."

Reactions To God's Answer

Genesis 37:11 NCV

Joseph's brothers were jealous of him, but his father thought about what all these things could mean.

- ✓ Reject, Hate, Jealousy (Attitudes)
- ✓ Reconsider the matter. (Thoughts)
- ✓ Receive the truth. (Belief)

The life we lead is directed by the thoughts we believe.

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Problems to possibilities...

1. Rethink your thoughts.

Genesis 40:15 NKJV

For indeed I was stolen away from the land of the Hebrews; and also I have done nothing here that they should put me into the dungeon.

Proverbs 3:5-6 NKJV

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;
6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

2. Reframe your mindset.

Genesis 50:15, 19-20 NIV

15 Now that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers were worried.

They said, "Remember all of the bad things we did to Joseph?"

What if he decides to hold those things against us? What if he pays us back for them?"

19 But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Do you think I'm God?"

Isaiah 55:8-9 NLT

8 "My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the Lord.

"And My ways are far beyond anything you could imagine.

9 For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so My ways are higher than your ways and My thoughts higher than your thoughts.

3. Refocus to rejoice in God's goodness.

Genesis 50:20 NIV

You planned to harm me. But God planned it for good.

He planned to do what is now being done. He wanted to save many lives.

Psalms 118:24 NKJV

This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

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