The Beginning

a study of the book of Genesis / chapter 39:1-23

... the LORD was _____ him ... (3)
What difference does it make when the Lord is with us?
When the Lord is with us ...

1. He blesses our _____ .

   a. When we choose to see _____ .

   Now *Joseph had been taken down to Egypt.* Potiphar, an Egyptian
   who was one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard, bought
   him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there. (1)

   b. When we choose to serve _____ .

   The LORD was with Joseph *so that he prospered* ... When his master
   saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD gave him success
   in everything he did, Joseph found favor in his eyes and became his
   attendant. Potiphar put him in charge ... and he entrusted to his care
   everything he owned ... the LORD blessed the household ... because
   of Joseph. (2-6c)

   * Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand,
     that He may lift you up in due time. (1 Peter 5:6)

2. He sees our _____ .

   a. We choose _____ .

   ... his master's wife took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with
   me!" But he refused ... "*How ... could I do such a wicked thing and sin
   against God?*" ... One day She caught him by his cloak ... But he left
   his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house. (6d-12)

   b. They choose _____ .

   When she saw that he had left his cloak ... *she told ... this story* ...
   When his master heard the story ... he burned with anger ... and put him
   in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined. (13-20b)

   * ... do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh. (Romans 13:14)

3. He rewards our _____ .

   But while Joseph was there in the prison, *the LORD was with him*;
   He showed him kindness and granted him favor in the eyes of the prison
   warden. So the warden put Joseph in charge ... because the LORD was with
   Joseph and gave him success in whatever he did. (27-30)

   ... the testing of your faith produces perseverance ... Let perseverance

   finish its work so that you may be _____ ... (James 1:2-4)

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