

## **PRINCIPLES PRACTICED BY PEOPLE WHO PROSPER. Gen 39**

- 1. Prospering does not depend on the circumstances of life.**  
v1 – Joseph had no control over his life as he entered Egypt.
- 2. Prospering has nothing to do with your station in life.**  
Joseph was a slave, a prisoner and the Prime Minister and prospered in all the positions.
- 3. Prospering has nothing to do with where you live.**  
Joseph lived in a pit, a prison and a palace and prospered in all the places.
- 4. Prospering is recognised by those around you.**  
v3 – When the master saw  
v21 – Found favour in the eyes of the prison warder.
- 5. Prospering comes from hand work.**  
Once Joseph was promoted he did the job to the best of his ability. v5&22
- 6. Prospering feeds on itself.**  
When both Potiphar and the prison warder saw that the Lord was with Joseph they put him in charge.
- 7. Prospering overflows to those around you.**  
Both Potiphar and the prison warder benefited from Joseph being in charge.

- 8. Prospering does not free you from temptation.**  
Potiphar's wife tried to seduce Joseph.
- 9. Prospering knows its limits.**  
v9 Joseph knew what was out of bounds.
- 10. Prospering is directly related to how much control the Lord has over your life.**  
v2 The Lord was with Joseph  
v3 saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord gave him success  
v3 The Lord blessed the household  
v9 How could I ..... sin against God?  
v21 The Lord was with him  
v23 Because the Lord was with Joseph and gave him success in whatever he did.

### **Conclusion**

As Christians we always prosper.

***Phil 4:13 I can do everything through him who gives me strength.***

***1 Cor 15:55-57 "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" v56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. v57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

***Heb 4:16 Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.***

***Rom 8:28 And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.***