The Ultimate Gift - Part 2 Pastor David King

(Genesis 12:1-3) The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. **2**“I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. **3**I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.” (NIV)

(Genesis 25:21-23) **21**Isaac prayed to the Lord on behalf of his wife, because she was childless. The Lord answered his prayer, and his wife Rebekah became pregnant. **22**The babies jostled each other within her, and she said, “Why is this happening to me?” So she went to inquire of the Lord. **23**The Lord said to her, “Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger.” (NIV)

(Genesis 37:3-4) **3**Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. **4**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. (NIV)

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 **1. Remember who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(Galatians 3:29) If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise. (NIV)

(Genesis 39:2) The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master. (NIV)

**2. Maintain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(Genesis 39:7-9) **7**and after a while his master’s wife took notice of Joseph and said, “Come to bed with me!” **8**But he refused. “With me in charge,” he told her, “my master does not concern himself with anything in the house; everything he owns he has entrusted to my care. **9**No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?” (NIV)

**3. Trust God through the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(Genesis 39:20-22) **20**Joseph’s master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king’s prisoners were confined. But while Joseph was there in the prison, **21**the Lord was with him; he showed him kindness and granted him favor in the eyes of the prison warden. **22**So the warden put Joseph in charge of all those held in the prison, and he was made responsible for all that was done there. (NIV)

**4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ one another**

(Genesis 50:15-17) **15**When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?” **16**So they sent word to Joseph, saying, “Your father left these instructions before he died: **17**‘This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.’ Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father.” When their message came to him, Joseph wept. (NIV)

**5. Believe that God wants \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(Genesis 50:19-20) **19**But Joseph said to them, “Don’t be afraid. Am I in the place of God? **20**You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. (NIV)

(Romans 8:28) And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

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