Wisdom Is Proved Right By All Her Children

"But wisdom is proved right by all her children." (Luke 7: 35)

This is what the Lord Jesus said when he was defending himself the accusation that He received from the Pharisees and the experts in the law. They were not well convinced of His teaching and the way that He led the people to experience God's love. But the point is this: The wisdom that moved Jesus to do what God had commanded to do, proved right by the outcome that gave; eternal life to those who believe in Him and follow His steps in their lives. The Lord Jesus came from heaven to show us the way of true life. He died for our sins on the cross; He was buried, but rose from the dead on the third day to give eternal life to those who believe in Him and follow His Word in their lives.

In this message we will speak about Joseph, the son of Jacob. He is one of the twelve patriarchs. He was a man whom God bestowed on him a gift of seeing dreams that would speak about what is going to happen in the future. As well as he was loved by his father Jacob. And because of these two reasons his brothers hated him. They conspired to kill him when they decided to throw him in the well. But finally they agreed to sell him to the Ishmaelites who sold him as slave in Egypt. "But God was with him." (Acts 7: 9b)

God was with Joseph inspite of all the troubles that came on him. He rescued him from all his trials. He rescued him from the hands of his own brothers who wanted to kill him. God also was with him and saved him from Potiphar wife who wanted to abuse him. That woman with malice had conspired against Joseph and accused him to her husband that he wanted to sleep with her. Then, "When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, "This is how your slave treated me," he burned with anger. Joseph's master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined." (Genesis 39: 19-20) In this way Joseph was put in the prison. But even in prison God was still with him.

Truly, "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 of all those held in the prison and he was made responsible for all that was done there. The warden paid no attention to anything under Joseph's care, because the LORD was with Joseph and gave Him success in whatever he did." (Genesis 39: 21-23)

As Joseph was a man who fear God, the Lord bestowed on him a heavenly wisdom and helped him to find favor from his enemy and even from king pharaoh as we can read: "When two full years had passed, Pharaoh had a dream: He was standing by the Nile, when out of the river there came up seven cows, sleek and fat, and they grazed among the reeds. After them, seven other cows, ugly and gaunt, came up out of the Nile and stood

beside those on the riverbank. And the cows that were ugly and gaunt ate up the seven sleek, fat cows. Then pharaoh woke up. He fell asleep again and had a second dream: Seven heads of grain, healthy and good, were growing in a single stalk. After them, seven other ears of corn sprouted-thin and scorched by the east wind. The thin ears of corn swallowed up the seven healthy, full ears. Then pharaoh woke up; it had been a dream. In the morning his mind was troubled, so he sent for all the magicians and wise men of Egypt. Pharaoh told them his dreams, but no one could interpret them for him." (Genesis 41: 1-8)

That difficult situation made Pharaoh humble to search for someone who would be able to interpret the dream. That made the way for Joseph to be recommended as dream interpreter. That was Joseph's gift and the wisdom that he received from God, as well as the people recognized that grace of God on him. Joseph through God's wisdom explained Pharaoh's dream in following way. "seven years of great abundance are coming throughout the land of Egypt, but seven years of famine will follow them. Then all the abundance in Egypt will be forgotten, and the famine will ravage the land. The abundance in the land will not be remembered, because the famine that follows it will be so severe." (Genesis 41: 29-31) And he recommended the following, "And now let pharaoh look for a discerning and wise man and put him in charge of the land of Egypt. Let Pharaoh appoint commissioners over the land to take a fifth of the harvest of Egypt during the seven years of abundance. They should collect all the food of these good years that are coming and store up the grain under the authority of pharaoh, to be kept in the cities for food. This food should held in reserve, to be used during the seven years of famine that will come upon Egypt, so the country may not be ruined by the famine." (Genesis 41: 33-36) That wisdom impressed pharaoh and made him take a decision of great favor to Joseph as we can read hear, "Then pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has made all this known to you, there is no one so discerning and wise as you. You shall be in charge of my palace, and all my people are to submit to your orders. Only with respect to the throne will I be greater than you." (Genesis 41: 37-40)

Joseph was a poor man but he was wise and that wisdom led him to success as the Word of God teaches us, "Better a poor but wise youth than an old but foolish king who no longer knows how to take warning. The youth may have come from prison to the kingship, or he may have been born in poverty within his kingdom." (Ecclesiastes 4: 13-14)

My Dear and Beloved: Wisdom proved right by all her children. Do you live your life with God's wisdom? Do you have the fear of God in your life? If all that are true in your life then you will be successful and be blessed by the Lord as you agree to pray.

My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead on the third day to give me eternal life. Lord give me contentment even in my suffering today, realizing that your wisdom one day will give me a great blessing and favor from you and from men. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.