



# THE PRESERVATION THROUGH JOSEPH ACTS 7:9-16

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1. Prefer \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.9-10)

*Acts 7:9* "And the patriarchs, jealous of Joseph, sold him into Egypt; but God was with him **10** and rescued him out of all his afflictions and gave him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh, king of Egypt, who made him ruler over Egypt and over all his household. **11** Now there came a famine throughout all Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction, and our fathers could find no food. **12** But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent out our fathers on their first visit. **13** And on the second visit Joseph made himself known to his brothers, and Joseph's family became known to Pharaoh. **14** And Joseph sent and summoned Jacob his father and all his kindred, seventy-five persons in all. **15** And Jacob went down into Egypt, and he died, he and our fathers, **16** and they were carried back to Shechem and laid in the tomb that Abraham had bought for a sum of silver from the sons of Hamor in Shechem." (ESV)

2. Remember \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.11-14)

3. Keep \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.15-16)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about small groups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please call the church office at (949) 540-0699 or email us at [SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org](mailto:SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org).

1. Read **2 Corinthians 4:1-6**. How can the importance of your role in this world help you to "not lose heart" even while living in an increasingly dark and anti-Christian culture?
2. Read **2 Corinthians 4:7-15**. What aspects of this passage, and which truths presented in this week's sermon can help you to have more of the strength and endurance that Paul expresses in v.8?
3. Read **2 Corinthians 4:16-18**. How would you explain to a new Christian what it means to stay focused on the "unseen" realities and to truly have an eternal perspective?
4. Read **Philippians 3:12-16**. You are likely familiar with several of the things from his past that the Apostle Paul would not benefit from dwelling on (some are in the surrounding context of this text). What are some of yours?
5. Read **2 Timothy 4:14-18**. In what specific ways can you identify with this text and what can you do to seek to maintain the kind of trust in the Lord exhibited in it?

## *This Week's Bible Reading Schedule*

**January 24<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.7-8 & Mt.17*

**January 25<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.9-10 & Mt.18:1-20*

**January 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.11-12 & Mt.18:21-35*

**January 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.13-15 & Mt.19:1-15*

**January 28<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.16-18 & Mt.19:16-30*

**January 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.19-21 & Mt.20:1-16*

**January 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Ex.22-24 & Mt.20:17-34*

**January 31<sup>st</sup>**

*Ex.25-26 & Mt.21:1-22*

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website and App ([FocalPointMinistries.org](http://FocalPointMinistries.org)).

Msg. 17-36 – **Shining the Truth in a Dark Culture**

Msg. 16-30 – **Worldly Sensibilities & Godly Zeal**

Msg. 14-26 – **God's Desire to Save People**

Msg. 11-02 – **A Radically Different Identity**

Msg. 06-20 – **Extending the Reach of the Lordship of Christ**

Msg. 03-04 – **When the Monastery is Not an Option**

Msg. 12-09 – **Eyes for the Harvest**

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Carson, D. A. **Telling the Truth: Evangelizing Postmoderns**. Zondervan, 2000.

\_\_\_\_\_. **The Intolerance of Tolerance**. Eerdmans, 2012.

Coleman, Robert E. **The Master Plan of Evangelism**. Spire Books, 1963.

Downs, Tim. **Finding Common Ground**. Moody Press, 1999.

Hendricks, Howard G. **Say it With Love**. Victor Books, 1972.

Little, Paul. **Know Why You Believe: A Clear Affirmation of the Reasonableness of the Faith**. Victor, 1987.

Metzger, Will. **Tell the Truth: The Whole Gospel to the Whole Person by Whole People**. IVP, 1981.

Packer, J. I. **Rediscovering Holiness**. Servant Publications, 1999.

Pearcy, Nancy. **Total Truth: Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity**. Crossway, 2008.

Pippert, Rebecca Manley. **Out of the Salt-Shaker**. InterVarsity Press, 1979.

Spurgeon, Charles Haddon. **The Soul Winner**. Reprint. Whitaker House, 1995.

Stott, John R. W. **Your Mind Matters**. InterVarsity, 1972.

Swindoll, Charles R. **Joseph: A Man of Integrity and Forgiveness**. Thomas Nelson Inc., 1998.

Veith, Gene Edward. **Loving God with All Your Mind: Thinking as a Christian in the Postmodern World**. Crossway, 03.