



A Weekly Worship Guide

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World Communion Sunday

Three Dreamers

Sermon: "Joseph, the Interpreter"

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. I have heard it said of you that when you hear a dream you can interpret it." Joseph answered Pharaoh, "It is not I; God will give Pharaoh a favorable answer." Let Pharaoh proceed to appoint overseers over the land and take one-fifth of the produce of the land of Egypt during the seven plenteous years. Let them gather all the food of these good years that are coming and lay up grain under the authority of Pharaoh for food in the cities and let them keep it. That food shall be a reserve for the land against the seven years of famine that are to befall the land of Egypt, so that the land may not perish through the famine."

Genesis 41:15-16, 34-36 (NRSV)

Thoughts to Consider Before the Sermon:

1. The dream Joseph interprets is one that could lead to Egypt's ultimate downfall. Why didn't it?

2. Oftentimes, our feelings of dissatisfaction come from the fact that we have accepted that where we are is all we'll ever be. Like Joseph and Egypt, dreaming can be our way *out* of our dissatisfaction!
3. How can the spiritual task of dreaming invite our church to consider where God is leading us?

An Invitation For You

If you are worshiping with us today, and you don't have a church home, but are looking for a faith community full of people who are discovering what it means to be a disciple of Jesus, following Christ's example, love and grace, then we would love the opportunity to be that church home and family for you. If this sounds good to you, we simply want to encourage you to keep coming, talk to those around you, and discover what it means to be part of this beautiful church family and family of Christ.

Membership in the church is not about a status. Instead, it's about taking a step as a follower of Jesus to commit yourself, along with others, to that journey! If you are interested in joining the church as a member, or even just learning more about it, please indicate that on your Connect Card, and we'll be sure to reach out quickly!

Meeting you is a blessing for us, and we hope that this day was a blessing for you!

-Pastor Brian