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UNDERDOG SERIES

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**THE UNDERDOG:** *When the Little Chance of Winning Becomes your Greatest Victory*

## “Don’t Quit on your Dream!”

5 Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more. 6 He said to them, “Listen to this dream I had: 7 We were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it.” 19 “Here comes that dreamer!” they said to each other. 20 “Come now, let’s kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we’ll see what comes of his dreams.” - **Genesis 37:5-7,19-20**

### IN THIS SERIES WE WILL BE DISCUSSING:

- **Joseph** - *The Obstacle is the Way*
- **Moses** - *The Miracle is in Front of You*
- **Abraham** - *Your Mountains Create Momentum*
- **Joshua** - *Your Blessings are in your Battles*

*“When facing obstacles, we’re either going to QUIT, or CONFRONT and CONQUER!”*

### 4 SITUATIONS JOSEPH HAD TO CONFRONT AND CONQUER BEFORE HIS DREAM CAME TRUE

- Betrayal - His brothers sold him
- Temptation - Pressure from Potiphar’s Wife
- Depression/Confusion - 2 Years in Prison
- Revenge - Payback for what his brothers did

### HOW TO CONQUER INSTEAD OF QUIT

Reminders have the ability to restore our vision, and passion that empower us to overcome quitting.

## 1. REMEMBER, OUR REALITY IS NOT OUR DESTINY

“So when Joseph arrived, his brothers ripped off the beautiful robe he was wearing. Then they grabbed him and threw him into the cistern. Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it. Then, just as they were sitting down to eat, they looked up and saw a caravan of camels in the distance coming toward them. It was a group of Ishmaelite traders taking a load of gum, balm, and aromatic resin from Gilead down to Egypt. Judah said to his brothers, “What will we gain by killing our brother? We’d have to cover up the crime. Instead of hurting him, let’s sell him to those Ishmaelite traders. After all, he is our brother—our own flesh and blood!” And his brothers agreed.”

- **Genesis 37:23-27 NLT**

*If God revealed it, we will receive it!*

## 2. REMEMBER, GOD IS WITH YOU TO PROMOTE YOU

“But the Lord was with Joseph in the prison and showed him his faithful love. And the Lord made Joseph a favorite with the prison warden. Before long, the warden put Joseph in charge of all the other

prisoners and over everything that happened in the prison. The warden had no more worries, because Joseph took care of everything. The Lord was with him and caused everything he did to succeed.” -

**Genesis 39:21-23 NLT**

### **3. REMEMBER, OBSTACLES ARE ONLY OPPORTUNITIES**

**5** “While they were in prison, Pharaoh’s cup-bearer and baker each had a dream one night, and each dream had its own meaning. **6** When Joseph saw them the next morning, he noticed that they both looked upset. **7** “Why do you look so worried today?” he asked them. **8** And they replied, “We both had dreams last night, but no one can tell us what they mean.” “Interpreting dreams is God’s business,” Joseph replied. “Go ahead and tell me your dreams.”” - **Genesis 40:5-8 (NLT)**

### **4. REMEMBER, FULFILLED DREAMS REQUIRE PATIENCE**

““This is the account of Jacob and his family. When Joseph was seventeen years old, he often tended his father’s flocks. He worked for his half brothers, the sons of his father’s wives Bilhah and Zilpah. But Joseph reported to his father some of the bad things his brothers were doing.” - **Genesis 37:2 (NLT)**

#### **FAST FORWARD >>>**

**45** “Then Pharaoh gave Joseph a new Egyptian name, Zaphenath-paneah. He also gave him a wife, whose name was Asenath. She was the daughter of Potiphera, the priest of On. So Joseph took charge of the entire land of Egypt. **46** He was thirty years old when he began serving in the court of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. And when Joseph left Pharaoh’s presence, he inspected the entire land of Egypt.” - **Genesis 41:45-46 (NLT)**

*“Patience feeds our perseverance”*