

Last week, we left Joseph "in prison" (Genesis 39:20). He had done the right thing, but he'd been falsely accused anyway. "Some time after this" is how Genesis 40 begins.

Two other people were imprisoned with Joseph:

- Pharaoh's \_\_\_\_\_bearer
- Pharaoh's \_\_\_\_\_

Pharaoh was angry with both of them and threw them in

prison... the same prison as Joseph!

And one night they both dreamed... (Genesis 40:5)

The next morning, Joseph could tell these men were "troubled." And what did Joseph know? Look at what he said in Genesis 40:8:

"Do not interpretations belong to

? Please tell them to me."



Even though his life was tough, Joseph hadn't stopped believing in or talking about God. But what does this have to do with our search for our King?

Just like Joseph was imprisoned with two others, Jesus our King was crucified with two others.

Then two \_\_\_\_\_\_ were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. (Matthew 27:38)

Jesus "bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors," just like God had prophesied in Isaiah 53:12. Joseph may have been forgotten on the third day by the cupbearer, but our Father in heaven didn't forget his Son. Jesus was raised on the third day. He reigns as our King!

## **FOUNDATION STONES**

Joseph was betrayed by his brothers in Genesis 37, lied about by Potiphar's wife in Genesis 39, and forgotten by the cupbearer in Genesis 40. Life wasn't easy for Joseph!



- When other people let us down or do hurtful things to us, how should we treat them?
- When life seems really hard, should we stop believing in God?
- When life seems really hard, what  ${f SHOULD}$  we do?

## FAMILY TREE Building Blocks:

We're working on learning the family tree that starts with Abraham and leads all the way to Jesus, our King. Remember? "In you all the families of the earth shall be blessed" (Gen 12:2).

