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**Helping the Child of God Keep the Faith**



- ✓ **Sunday Class:** *Believing God*
- ✓ **Sunday AM:** *Nevertheless (Luke 5:1-11)*
- ✓ **Sunday PM:** *Things That Encourage*
- ✓ **Monday:** *Selling and Stirring*
- ✓ **Tuesday:** *The Seduction of Joseph*
- ✓ **Wednesday:** *The Wayward Son Comes Home*


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**Joseph**

- Favored son of Jacob (Gen. 37)
- Brothers sold him to Midianite traders (Gen. 37)
- Midianites sold him to Potiphar in Egypt (Gen. 37:36)
- Rose in power & brought blessing to Potiphar's house (Gen. 39:1-6)
- Potiphar's wife tried to seduce him (Gen. 39:7-18)


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**The Seduction of Joseph**



*Gen. 39:7-23*

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*She Seduced Him*

*He Resisted Her*

*Results That Followed*


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**The Seduction of Joseph**



*I. The Temptation Was Strong*

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**A. His Youth**

1. Age: 18-28 (cf. 37:2; 41:46, 1)
2. Are desires that are strong in youth (2 Tim. 2:22)
3. Time when desire may be the strongest (1 Cor. 7:9)
4. Learn: are young with faith & principle!

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*I. The Temptation Was Strong*

**A. His Youth**

**B. She Solicited Him**

1. Not he seducing her!
2. She “cast longing eyes” on him (v. 7)
  - a. “looked with desire at Joseph” (NASB)
  - b. “began making eyes at Joseph” (LBP)
  - c. Flirt with her eyes (Prov. 6:25)
  - d. Or may mean: eye set to target him!

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**A. His Youth**

**B. She Solicited Him**

**C. She Told Him How Far – Willing to Go**

1. Not toying – flirting – only to tease
2. Said: “come lie with me” (v.7)
3. Few young men in Egypt could resist!

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**D. Repetition of It**

1. Resisting first instance – not too hard
  - a. Eve resisted at first – then yielded (Gen. 3:1-6)
  - b. Samson resisted Delilah (Judges 16)
2. Continual and daily (v. 10)
3. Designed to wear him down (Prov. 6:26)

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**E. Convenient Opportunity**

1. Fact – easily get caught is a deterrent
2. Master gone – no one else around (v.11)
3. Being alone is enticing (Prov. 7:19-20)
4. Danger: being alone with no one around!!

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*II. The Resistance Was Firm*

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*The Resistance Was Firm*




**A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)**

1. Said "NO" (vv. 8, 10)
2. Spoke of trust (v. 8)
3. Recalled sacredness of marriage (v. 9)
4. Called it wickedness [evil] (v. 9)
5. Called it sin against God (v. 9)

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*The Resistance Was Firm*




**A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)**  
**B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)**

1. Refused to be with her (v. 10)
  - a. "or even be with her (NIV)
  - b. "kept out of her way as much as possible" (LBP)
  - c. Understood danger of association
  - d. Hang around – could easily lead to...
  - e. Prov. 5:8 – do not go near the door of her...

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*The Resistance Was Firm*




**A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)**  
**B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)**

1. Refused to be with her (v. 10)
2. Fled and ran outside (v. 12)
  - a. Literally!
  - b. Removed himself from temptation
  - c. Actions showed his words were real
  - d. May have to leave – house, car, room, etc.

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*The Resistance Was Firm*




**A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)**  
**B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)**  
**C. Resisted Promptly (vv. 8, 12)**

1. Without the slightest hesitation
2. Without any dallying with the temptation
3. No waiting to see how far this may go

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*The Resistance Was Firm*



**A. Resisted With Words (vv. 8-9)**  
**B. Resisted With Deeds (vv. 10-11)**  
**C. Resisted Promptly (vv. 8, 12)**  
**D. Resisted Firmly (vv. 8-10)**

1. No wavering
2. No indecision
3. No pushing aside something that he secretly desired
4. Said "no" and meant it!


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### The Seduction of Joseph

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- II. The Resistance Was Firm*
- III. The Results Were Clear*

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### *The Results Were Clear*

- A. See the Difference and Love and Lust
  - 1. *The woman lusted for him – did not love him!*
    - a. Evidence: her lie & effort to destroy him (vv. 14–15)
    - b. “But indeed all illicit passion, whether gratified or balked, has a tendency sooner or later to become transformed into hate” (Pulpit)
  - 2. *One who lust after you – not necessarily love you!*
    - a. Lust seek gratification
    - b. Love cares about the person


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### *The Results Were Clear*

- A. See the Difference and Love and Lust
- B. See What He Lost
  - 1. *Lost his coat* (vv. 12-13)
  - 2. *Lost his job* (v. 20)
  - 3. *Lost his freedom* (v. 20)
  - 4. *Lost his standing / approval of man* (vv. 14-23)
  - 5. *You may lose: boyfriend, girlfriend, standing among “friends”*

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### *The Results Were Clear*

- A. See the Difference and Love and Lust
- B. See What He Lost
- C. See What He Kept
  - 1. *Kept his purity*
  - 2. *Kept his honor* (Prov. 6:33)
  - 3. *Kept his conscience*
  - 4. *Kept his reputation among the godly*
  - 5. *Kept his relationship with God* (vv. 21-23)

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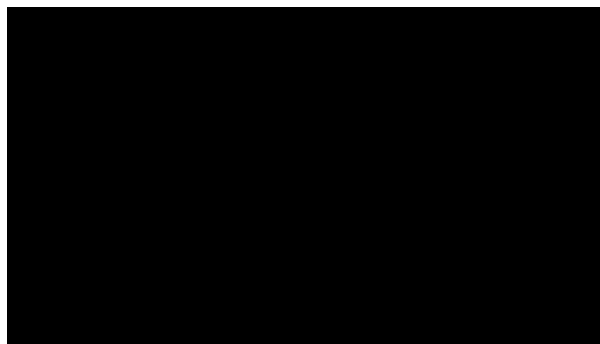


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