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DREAM 2 DESTINY



GENESIS 37-50

STORY OF JOSEPH

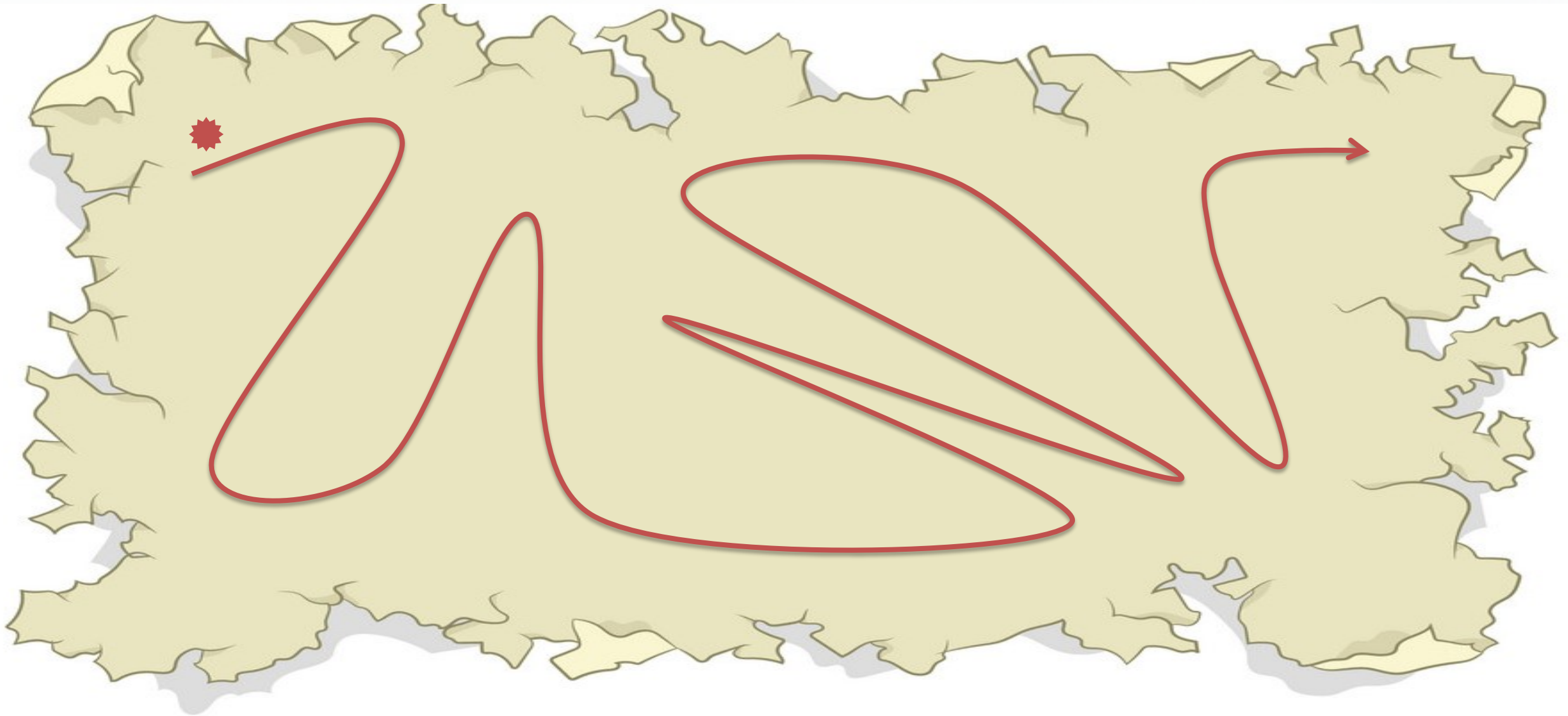
10 Character Tests of Joseph

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Chapter 1

The Pride Test



Gen 37:1-10 (NLT)

So Jacob settled again in the land of Canaan, where his father had lived as a foreigner. ² 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. ³ Jacob loved Joseph more than any of his other children because Joseph had been born to him in his old age. So one day Jacob had a special gift made for Joseph—a beautiful robe. ⁴ But his brothers hated Joseph because their father loved him more than the rest of them. They couldn't say a kind word to him.

Gen 37:1-10 (NLT)

⁵ One night Joseph had a dream, and when he told his brothers about it, they hated him more than ever. ⁶ “Listen to this dream,” he said. ⁷ “We were out in the field, tying up bundles of grain. Suddenly my bundle stood up, and your bundles all gathered around and bowed low before mine!”

⁸ His brothers responded, “So you think you will be our king, do you? Do you actually think you will reign over us?” And they hated him all the more because of his dreams and the way he talked about them.

Gen 37:1-10 (NLT)

⁹ Soon Joseph had another dream, and again he told his brothers about it. “Listen, I have had another dream,” he said. “The sun, moon, and eleven stars bowed low before me!”

¹⁰ This time he told the dream to his father as well as to his brothers, but his father scolded him. “What kind of dream is that?” he asked. “Will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow to the ground before you?” ¹¹ But while his brothers were jealous of Joseph, his father wondered what the dreams meant.

God has a dream for you

⁶ And the LORD said to them, “Now listen to what I say:

“If there were prophets among you, I, the LORD, would reveal myself in visions. I would speak to them in dreams.

⁷ But not with my servant Moses. Of all my house, he is the one I trust.

⁸ I speak to him face to face, clearly, and not in riddles! He sees the LORD as he is...

Numbers 12:6-8 (NLT)

John 15:15 (NLT)

No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

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Never Boast

...And they hated him all the more because of his dreams and the way he talked about them.

Gen 37:8

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Josephs heart

- The dream was not his destiny
- Joseph brought a bad report before the dream
- He already had a problem with his mouth
- If you have a problem with your moth you have a problem with your heart
- His purpose was not to have his brothers bow down to him
- His destiny was to save multitudes of people
- He was not humble with the dream

Matthew 12:34 (ESV)

...For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

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Deal with Pride

- If pride is in your heart, insecurity is in your soul
- With every new challenge comes new insecurities
- Every new level of responsibility comes new insecurities

Matt 4:6 (NLT)

"If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, 'He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'"

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God has a destiny for you

- Understanding I'm a child of the King deals with my insecurity.
- Remembering where I came from deals with my pride.

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