Genesis 37:4-5
4 But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peaceably to him.
5 Now Joseph had a dream, and he told it to his brothers; and they hated him even more.

Genesis 37:18
18 Now when they saw him afar off, even before he came near them, they conspired against him to kill him.

Attempts to kill the prophetic word:

1. Rejection

Ezekiel 16:3b-5
to do any of these things for you, to have compassion on you; but you were thrown out into the open field, when you yourself were loathed on the day you were born.

2. Stripping of identity

Genesis 37:23
23 So it came to pass, when Joseph had come to his brothers, that they stripped Joseph of his tunic, the tunic of many colors that was on him.

3. Concealment

Genesis 37:24
24 Then they took him and cast him into a pit. And the pit was empty; there was no water in it.

4. Lies

Genesis 39:12, 16-18
to us came in to me to mock me; so it happened, as I lifted my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me and fled outside."
5. Unfair treatment

**Genesis 39:20**

Then Joseph’s master took him and put him into the prison, a place where the king’s prisoners were confined. And he was there in the prison.

How to succeed to royalty:

1. Hang on to the dream

2. Serve

**Genesis 39:4**

So Joseph found favor in his sight, and served him. Then he made him overseer of his house, and all that he had he put under his authority.

3. Love

**Genesis 40:7**

So he asked Pharaoh’s officers who were with him in the custody of his lord’s house, saying, “Why do you look so sad today?”

4. Stay sharp in the Spirit

**Isaiah 41:15-16**

shall carry them away, And the whirlwind shall scatter them; You shall rejoice in the Lord, and glory in the Holy One of Israel.

**Micah 4:13a; 5:1a**

13 “Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; for I will make your horn iron, and I will make your hooves bronze;
1 Now gather yourself in troops...

**Proverbs 18:16**

16 A man’s gift makes room for him, and brings him before great men.

**Genesis 41:38-40a**

38 And Pharaoh said to his servants, “Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?”
39 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is no one as discerning and wise as you.
Genesis 41: 38-40a

40 You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word...