Being a Blessing to Others While Being Misunderstood & Mistreated

Genesis 37:1-36

[Joseph Dreams; Joseph Sold; Jacob Deceived]

SERMON OUTLINE

I. CALLING

A. RECAP: Jacob's calling to be an agent of divine blessing to his family, a nation, and the world. (28:14)

B. Our calling to be a divine blessing to others.

II. CONSEQUENCES

A. Joseph **misunderstood**. (37:1-11)

B. Joseph **mistreated**. (37:12-36)

C. God's implicit presence in this passage!

III. *CONDUCT: EXPECT AND ENDURE ENMITY!*

A. How we can expect and endure such enmity as we go forth to be a blessing to others.

SIMILARITIES: MOSES (EXO. 3:1) & JOSEPH (GEN. 37:2)

- Separated from their families early on.
- Survive conspiracies to murder them.
- Endure exile.
- Marry the daughters of foreign priests.
- Have two sons.
- Commissioned by God to lead and provision an unruly people who tend to reject their leaders.

SERMON NOTES