

## Preparation in Prison

Series: *Not Your Average Joe*; Text: **Genesis 40**

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This chapter in Genesis begins with Joseph in prison and ends with Joseph in prison. Despite this, Joseph held fast to his dreams and to his God. Prison was God's school of learning and testing for him. We discover three important characteristics which Joseph demonstrated in the midst of his waiting, which we are to emulate.

**1<sup>st</sup> – Be F** \_\_\_\_\_ (Prisoners assigned to Joseph, vv. 1-4).

*The secret of your future is found in your daily R* \_\_\_\_\_  
(Ecc. 9:10).

**2<sup>nd</sup> – Be R** \_\_\_\_\_ (Prisoners' troubling dreams, vv. 5-8).

**3<sup>rd</sup> – Be B** \_\_\_\_\_ (Joseph interprets their dreams, vv. 11-19).

**Dreams Come True** (vv. 20-22):

**Disappointment** (v. 23):

*"Delay never thwarts God's purposes; it only polishes His instrument"* (V. Raymond Edman).