Transforming the City One Life at a Time.



Operation Transformation: Make a Difference

Know God, Grow Together, Discover Purpose and Make a Difference

CONNECT

If you could have one, which would you choose: A glimpse of the future or a journey into the past?

WORD

Genesis 40:6-8 & 41:14-16

6 When Joseph came to them the next morning, he saw that they were dejected. 7 So he asked Pharaoh's officials who were in custody with him in his master's house, "Why do you look so sad today?" 8 "We both had dreams," they answered, "but there is no one to interpret them." Then Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Tell me your dreams."

14 Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they quickly brought him out of the pit. And when he had shaved himself and changed his clothes, he came in before Pharaoh. 15 And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. I have heard it said of you that when you hear a dream you can interpret it." 16 Joseph answered Pharaoh, "It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh a favorable answer."

THOUGHT

Joseph had a gift that God had given him to be able to interpret dreams. When God blesses us with gifts and talents, we must realize that they are from him and for him. These gifts and talents are to further his purposes and to make a difference in the earth! Joseph's Gift helped elevate him into his ultimate destiny, second in command over Egypt and bring his people into their purpose! What might our talents and gifting do?

DISCUSSION

1. As dream interpretations belong to God, and as Joseph invites others to tell him their dreams, what does that tell you about Joseph's abilities? About his relationship with God? (Verse 16)

2. Has God ever spoken to you in a dream? What was your response to it?

3. After Joseph interprets the dream of the cupbearer and the baker. He was forgotten. How do you think that made him feel?

4. Is God's gifting about you or Him? How do you know?

5. What are you doing now with Gift's God has given you? Are you making a difference?

PERSONAL APPLICATION

- This week list the talents and gifting that God has given you. Set goals to use them to Make a Difference in the lives of the people around you.
- Share with a friend your goals to Make a Difference. Help them Make a Difference.

PRAYER

- Pray over the ways in which God has gifted you to Make a Difference in the lives of those around you, pray that it is for Him and according to His plans for you.
- Pray with a friend to Make a Difference in your spheres of influence, with your friends and family. Praying that they may Know God, Grow Together, Discover Purpose and ultimately Make a Difference.