

Modern Romance

Let God Rewrite Your List

TALK IT OVER

Key Scriptures

One night Joseph had a dream, and when he told his brothers about it, they hated him more than ever. "Listen to this dream," he said. "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!" 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. Genesis 37:5-8 NLT

Meanwhile, the Midianite traders arrived in Egypt, where they sold Joseph to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. Potiphar was captain of the palace guard. Genesis 37:36 NLT

The LORD was with Joseph, so he succeeded in everything he did as he served in the home of his Egyptian master. Genesis 39:2 NLT

... Joseph was a very handsome and well-built young man, and Potiphar's wife soon began to look at him lustfully. "Come and sleep with me," she demanded. But Joseph refused. "Look," he told her, "my master trusts me with everything in his entire household. No one here has more authority than I do. He has held back nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How could I do such a wicked thing? It would be a great sin against God." Genesis 39:6-9 NLT

But the LORD was with Joseph in the prison and showed him his faithful love. And the LORD made Joseph a favorite with the prison warden. Before long, the warden put Joseph in charge of all the other prisoners and over everything that happened in the prison. The warden had no more worries, because Joseph took care of everything. The LORD was with him and caused everything he did to succeed. Genesis 39:21-23 NLT

More Key Scriptures:

Proverbs 19:21 NIV; Psalm 23:4 KJV;
Genesis 37:23-24 NLT

Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Have you ever had a dream that really stuck with you after you woke up? What do you remember from that dream?

Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- How might serving God faithfully during a tough season change the way you experience that season? What kind of difference might it make?
- Read Genesis 39:21-23. No matter where God puts us, we can use that place to honor and glorify Him. What's one way you could glorify God in your current place?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- Have you ever seen God work in your life as a result of a relational struggle or crisis? What was your experience like?
- How might God want to rewrite your list of expectations in life? Share what you're thinking with your group.

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

Father, thank You for the work You're doing in our lives. Help us avoid getting too attached to our own dreams for the future. Instead, help us to look to You. Give us a better understanding of where You're leading us, and fill us with excitement for what awaits us in the future. In Jesus' name, amen.

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Spend time in prayer this week, asking God how He wants to rewrite your list.
- Start the *Modern Romance* Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: www.go2.lc/modernromance