THE RIGHT RESPONSE WHEN WRONGED

(Genesis 39:20-40:23)

A. JOSEPH: IN PRISON FOR SOMETHING HE DIDN'T DO (Genesis 39:20-40:23)

- If you seek to honor the Lord by ______ on biblical principles, there is the possibility it will result in ______ consequences for you, as it did for Joseph. (39:20)
- If you experience unjust suffering, you can ______ the Lord to be with you, as well as His ______. (39:21)
- 3. Despite the injustice that had been done to Joseph, his ______ qualities and his ______ qualities and his ______ character were quickly recognized, and he was placed in a position of authority- because the Lord was with him and he was responding. (39:22-23)
 - a. The right response to unjust suffering is one of ______ by waiting on the Lord to deliver you in His time, which gives you an opportunity to ______ on His promises to strengthen and support you.
 - b. The wrong reactions to unjust suffering include retaliation, ______, complaining, ______ or spiritual boasting.

* All of these wrong reactions emanate from what?

4. As Joseph responded to the Lord in the difficult circumstance that he was in, he was able to see beyond ______ and _____ others in their time of need. (40:1-4)

5. Because Joseph was responding to the Lord, he was spiritually ______ enough to recognize the ______ of others, and point them to God in the process. (40:5-8)

* When you are depressed and carnal where is your focus?

- * The chief butler and baker each had dreams, what do we know about dreams and the Bible?
- 6. Like any one of us, Joseph had his moments where he placed his trust and hope in ______ " (like the butler and baker in v. 14); and he resorted to a "______ " about his present circumstances (v. 15).

- 7. If you are responding to the Lord in your unjust suffering, you very well may be forgotten by ______, but never by your ______. (40:20-23)
- 8. In good times or bad times, no one is ______ or _____ like the Lord, your hope and trust must ultimately rest in Him.

* What truths can you personally apply from this chapter?