

“Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat: Me and Mrs. Potiphar”

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□ Genesis 39:1-12

□ Anatomy of a Temptation:

- #1—Temptation is always _____.
 - Oswald Chambers: “Temptation is a suggested short cut to the realization of the highest at which I aim—not towards what I understand as evil, but towards what I understand as good.” (*My Utmost for His Highest* 261)
- #2—Temptation is always _____.
 - Genesis 39:8
- #3—Temptation is always _____.
 - Genesis 39:10
- #4—Temptation is always _____.
 - Genesis 39:11
 - *Christianity Today*: “A national survey among churches . . . conducted over the past five years revealed that 68 percent of Christian men and 50 percent of pastors _____ regularly. But even more shocking is that _____ reported being its greatest users.” (April, 2015)
 - “When a woman is nursing her child and she’s skin-to-skin with her baby, her brain releases a neurochemical called oxytocin, which emotionally bonds her to her child. The same thing happens during sex. God designed oxytocin as the glue for human bonding. During a sexual release, oxytocin, along with other neurochemicals, are released and cause us to emotionally bond with our partner. When you watch porn, powerful neurotransmitters such as dopamine are also released, which bond you to those images.” (Ibid)
- #5—Temptation is always _____.
 - Genesis 39:11
- #6—Temptation is always _____.
 - Genesis 39:12
 - 2 Timothy 2:22—“_____ also youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a _____ heart.”
 - Joseph _____; David _____.
 - 1 Corinthians 10:13—“No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to mankind; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but will with the temptation also make the way of _____, that you may be able to bear it.”
- #7—Temptation is always _____.
 - Genesis 39:9—“How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against _____.”
 - Psalm 51:1-4—“Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. . . . Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. . . . Against _____ have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.”
 - Whatever you do sexually, you do _____ of God.
 - Timothy Keller: “Instead of telling [urban dwellers] they are sinning because they are sleeping with their girlfriends or boyfriends, I tell them that they are sinning because they are looking to their romances to give their lives meaning, to justify and save them, to give them what they should be looking for from God. This idolatry leads to

anxiety, obsessiveness, envy, and resentment. I have found that when you describe their lives in terms of idolatry, postmodern people do not give much resistance. Then Christ and his salvation can be presented not (at this point) so much as their only hope for forgiveness, but as their only hope for freedom.” (Quoted in Philip Yancey's *Vanishing Grace* 79-80).

□ **Two Coats—One Robe**

- “Therefore I counsel you to buy from me white robes to clothe you and to keep the shame of your nakedness from being seen.” (Revelation 3:18)

*The robe of His grace
for the rags of my guilt*

a short cut; a betrayal of trust; repetitive; location sensitive; view pornography; 11-17 year old boys; aggressive; fee-able; Flee; pure; fled; fed; escape; against God; God; you, only you; in front