



“DEALING WITH PRIVILEGE AND SUCCESS”

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Joseph had plenty of potential excuses:

A _____ - _____ family.....

- Mom died when he was young.
- Raised by three “stepmoms”
(Dad had one wife and two “servant/concubines”)
 - Leah – 6 sons and a daughter
(Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Isachar, Zebulon, Dinah)
 - Bilhah – 2 sons (Dan, Naphtali)
 - Zilpah – 2 sons (Gad, Asher)
 - Rachel – 2 sons (Joseph and Benjamin)

A _____ Dad....

- Daughter raped – no reaction.
- Reuben sleeps with his Dad’s concubine – no reaction.
- Brothers jealous of Joseph – no reaction.
- Joseph rude and uncaring toward his brothers – no reaction.
- Overt favoritism towards Joseph.

BUT ... Joseph had a _____ - _____ sense of destiny early in his life. This sense of destiny was encouraged through many blessings and privileges that he received from his _____ .

Genesis 37:1-8

Some thoughts about SUCCESS:

1. Success should be used to build _____ and cultivate _____ .
2. Relationships require us to see things from other people’s _____ .
3. Greater success increases the _____ of seeing the world through the eyes of others.
4. The more privileges, blessings, and success you experience, the greater your opportunity to _____ others.

Early in his life, Joseph failed to use his privileges to build relationships, cultivate influence, and bless others. His failure _____ him dearly. But God did not give up on Joseph, and God will not give up on you either.