

**Family Worship**  
Week of August 25, 2024

**Instruction:** Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

**Sermon Meditations: God Has Fixed the Time**

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 41:1-36
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's first point was "God's revealed plan". After two years in prison, God raises Joseph up to help Pharaoh understand his troubling dreams. No one can interpret the dreams in Egypt, and God reveals what is going to happen to the land and nation through Joseph. God reveals to us the things he wants us to know. How are the revealed things of God a help to our faith? What ways has God revealed himself to us? Why is scripture necessary to understanding God's plan?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 41:1-36
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's second point was "God's fixed plan". Joseph tells Pharaoh what his dreams mean, and that God has fixed the time for them to come to pass. What God has determined to do will come to pass. How is this a comfort for us as his people? What actions should we take in light of God's fixed plan? How does God prepare us and sustain us in prosperity and in famine? How do we fill the storehouse of our heart with his comforts?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 41:1-36, John 3:16-17
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "Believe and do not perish". Joseph counsels Pharaoh to begin immediately preparing for the famine that is to come. If Egypt wants to survive and not perish, they must believe what God has revealed and act. God has told us what he will do in the earth and at the end of all things. How are we to prepare for that time now? How has God's revelation of his plans saved us from perishing?
- Close in prayer

**Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word**

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 41:37-57
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important? What encouragement does vs. 23 give us?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 41:37-57
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer