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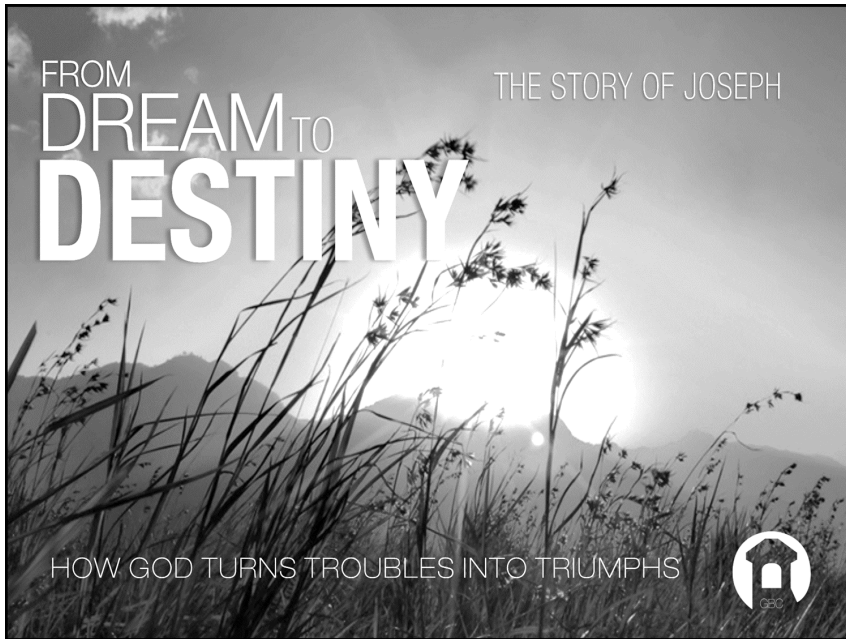
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- 5) We can choose to focus on the troubles we have, or we can focus on the blessings God brings.
- 6) Joseph's story does not end in the pit, and your story does not end where you are right now.
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