



RIVER'S EDGE CHURCH

Reach Raise Release

Joseph Series/Overcome Adversity

Genesis 37:12-36

Prosperity is temporary—[show restraint](#)

Proverbs 23:4 *“Do not wear yourself out to become rich; be wise enough to restrain yourself. 5 When you gaze upon riches, they are gone, for they surely make wings for themselves, and fly off into the sky like an eagle!”*

Adversity is inevitable—[be prepared](#)

2 Timothy 3:2 *“Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted...” (ESV)*

John 16:33 *“In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”*

Effort is essential—[don't give up](#)

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

16 *“So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. 17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison...” (ESV)*

Galatians 6:9 *“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”*

Hebrews 10:36 *“You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.”*

God is faithful—[be faithful](#)

Isaiah 43:2 *“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.”*

1 Peter 5:10 *“And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.”*

Remember: Joseph was purpose-focused...that purpose was to be God honoring.

