

Why Many Prophetic Words Don't Come to Pass

When we receive a true prophetic word from the Lord, I believe it will be a while before we are ready for another one. There will be homework to do and some tests to take. "Until the time that his word came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him" (Ps. 105:19). With Joseph's prophetic dream came a lot of homework. His first assignment was how to handle being betrayed and thrown into a pit.

His midterm test was "How fast can you run from Potiphar's wife?" After being falsely accused, he took his final exam in prison. It took him many long years to finish it. One final question for extra credit was "How do you handle being overlooked when you help someone else get promoted to freedom?" After living out the right answer for two more years in prison, he received his diploma and graduated to the palace.

We must remember what God's dream is for us. He is dreaming about us being changed into the image and likeness of his Son, Jesus. Then everything else falls into place. {eo}

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