



HOLD ON

SERMON NOTES

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Be faithful in the circumstances that you're in
until God gives you a new assignment

1. Because God's timing isn't yours, be ready for opportunities
He brings to you

Genesis 41:1-32

Right Thing Wrong Way	Right Thing Right Way
Wrong Thing Wrong Way	Wrong Thing Right Way

2. When God presents an opportunity, step forward with His boldness

Genesis 41:33-40

Psalms 105:16-22

He wants to use you to influence those in your relational world in this unique season

3. Joseph's story isn't so much about Joseph but about God and His sovereign orchestration of events to accomplish His good, pleasing and perfect will

Genesis 41:41-57

It's not about gaining some sort of thing that we deserve from going through tough times, but in seeing God's good and perfect purposes fulfilled through our lives

Now What?

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HOME GROUP NOTES

Week of April 29

Hold On #4 - Forgotten/Esteemed

Home Groups are a place to build friendships, talk about what we are learning, and walk through life together. You can find more information at www.trinityonline.org/connect/home-groups/.



Share It

Have you ever had a surprising new opportunity come your way?
What were the results?



Study the Bible

Genesis 41

What do we learn about God? How was God involved? What was He doing?

What was Joseph's role in God's plan? What did it require of him?
What were his words?

What was Egypt's and Pharaoh's role in God's plan? (Pharaoh was thought to be a manifestation of God)

What is the message of the dream? What does this imply about life and people?

How is Joseph's response and behavior a good example for us today?



Discuss Together

What do we learn about God and His purposes from this narrative? What is our part? How can we pay attention and respond?

Our 'Now what' statement is "Be faithful in the circumstances you're in until God gives you a new assignment."

- Why is this sometimes difficult?
- How might this glorify God?
- What are your present opportunities to engage in representing him now?

How can we know when a new opportunity is from God? How should we then respond?



Pray

- Join us for National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 3 (downtown Redlands)
- Pray for the people in your world experiencing "famine" of some sort
- Pray about opportunities to be ambassadors in your circumstances



Apply It This Week

Ask God to reveal ways that you can be helpful to others this week and then serve with boldness.