

LIFELINES

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LIFELINES AROUND WORK

HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR JOB

GENESIS 37-39

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Matthew 5:15-16

WORK LIFE LESSONS FROM JOSEPH

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Genesis 37:5

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Genesis 39:2-4

3. KEEP _____ AND

“Joseph naturally became quite a favorite with Potiphar. Soon he put Joseph in charge of his entire household and entrusted him with all his business dealings. From the day Joseph was put in charge, the Lord began to bless Potiphar for Joseph’s sake. All his household affairs began to run smoothly, and his crops and livestock flourished.”
Genesis 39:4-5 (NLT)

4. STAY _____

“So Potiphar gave Joseph complete administrative responsibility over everything he owned. With Joseph there, he didn’t have a worry in the world, except to decide what he wanted to eat!”
Genesis 39:6 (NLT)

5. BE _____

“Now Joseph was a very handsome and well-built young man. So Potiphar’s wife began to desire him and invited him to sleep with her. But Joseph refused. ‘Look,’ he told her, ‘my master trusts me with everything in his entire household. No one here has more authority than I do! He has held back nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How could I ever do such a wicked thing to him? And it would be a great sin against God.’”
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