

Wise As Serpents
Serving in the Government
Genesis 41:37-42
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LEARN FROM GOVERNMENT LEADERS

1. Joseph

Genesis 41:37-42 *Joseph's suggestions were well received by Pharaoh and his officials. So Pharaoh asked his officials, "Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?" Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has revealed the meaning of the dreams to you, clearly no one else is as intelligent or wise as you are. You will be in charge of my court, and all my people will take orders from you. Only I, sitting on my throne, will have a rank higher than yours."*

Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt." Then Pharaoh removed his signet ring from his hand and placed it on Joseph's finger. He dressed him in fine linen clothing and hung a gold chain around his neck.

- _____ in life's difficulties
- _____ others
- _____ on God's _____

Genesis 41:1

2. Daniel

Daniel 1:19-21 *The king talked with them, and no one impressed him as much as Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. So they entered the royal service. Whenever the king consulted them in any matter requiring wisdom and balanced judgment, he found them ten times more capable than any of the magicians and enchanters in his entire kingdom.*

Daniel remained in the royal service until the first year of the reign of King Cyrus.

- _____ in a _____ environment
- Defend your _____ from _____

If you give up your _____ for _____, you will have _____.

- Serve with _____

3. Esther

- _____ to your _____ Esther 2:10-11
- _____ the sovereignty of God Esther 2:16-17
- _____ everything for others Esther 4:12-16
- _____ unselfishly Esther 10:1-3

BOTTOM LINE: Use the _____ you have to spread the _____