

What Comes of His Dreams

Genesis

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How do acts of evil relate to God's plans for us?

¹² Now his brothers had gone to graze their father's flocks near Shechem, ¹³ and Israel said to Joseph, "As you know, your brothers are grazing the flocks near Shechem. Come, I am going to send you to them." "Very well," he replied. ¹⁴ So he said to him, "Go and see if all is well with your brothers and with the flocks, and bring word back to me." Then he sent him off from the Valley of Hebron. When Joseph arrived at Shechem, ¹⁵ a man found him wandering around in the fields and asked him, "What are you looking for?" ¹⁶ He replied, "I'm looking for my brothers. Can you tell me where they are grazing their flocks?" ¹⁷ "They have moved on from here," the man answered. "I heard them say, 'Let's go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. ¹⁸ But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him. ¹⁹ "Here comes that dreamer!" they said to each other. ²⁰ "Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we'll see what comes of his dreams." ²¹ When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. "Let's not take his life," he said. ²² "Don't shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the wilderness, but don't lay a hand on him." Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father. ²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the ornate robe he was wearing— ²⁴ and they took him and threw him into the cistern. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it. ²⁵ As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt. ²⁶ Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood?"

²⁷ Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood." His brothers agreed. ²⁸ So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.

God sees acts of evil not as _____,
but as _____.

How are we called to respond to acts of evil?

This Week

Sunday, March 10, 2019

8 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
9:25 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 th , 5 th & 6 th Grade Group	Lower Garage
	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Focus Group	Belleview House
	Faith Still Matters	Belleview House
10:55 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 th , 5 th & 6 th Grade Group	Lower Garage
6:30 p.m.	DivorceCare	Mont Vista 2

Monday, March 11

10 a.m.	Mondays with Marnie	Belleview House
6:30 p.m.	Mondays with Marnie	Belleview House
7 p.m.	Heart to Heart	Mont Vista 1

Tuesday, March 12

9 a.m.	Mom to Mom	The Garage
6 p.m.	Flourish Women's Group	Belleview House

Wednesday, March 13

6:30 a.m.	Wednesday Morning Men's Group	Molly's Souper
9 a.m.	Wives of Badges	Belleview House
6:30 p.m.	Radiant	Belleview House
7 p.m.	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Women at the Well	Room 104
	Wednesday Night Men's Study	Room 102

Thursday, March 14

6:30 a.m.	Thursday Morning Men's Group	Chick-fil-A
9 a.m.	God's Design for Women	The Garage
7 p.m.	College/Post College Group	Garcia's Home
	Handmade Treasures from the Heart	Room 104-105
	Griefshare	Room 103
	Thursday Night Men's Group	Belleview House

Friday, March 15

7 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	The Garage
	Single's LIFEgroup	Manny's House

Interested in joining one of these groups? Sign up online at lbfnextsteps.church and a group leader will contact you.

Pray

1. Pray for God to lead and speak to people at LBF Church in a unique and life-giving way during this season of Lent.
2. Pray for God to bring unity and perspective as our Summer GO Teams prepare for their trips.

Giving Update

Fiscal Year July 2018-June 2019 **Total Budget: \$2,459,200**

	Budget Goal	Giving Received	Over/Under
January	\$182,821	\$151,301	(\$31,520)
February	\$191,240	\$199,729	\$8,489
Fiscal YTD	\$1,643,575	\$1,723,858	\$80,283

Debt Reduction Fund

	Giving Received
January	\$5,134
February	\$6,175
Fiscal YTD	\$52,088

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