

## **Pastor's Weekly Devotional- June 23, 2016**

### **“Remembered By God”**

Affliction, mistreatment, persecution, hardship and pain are often characteristics of the Christian's walk. This idea is borne out in Peter's words: “Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal...which comes upon you for your testing...” (1 Peter 4:12)

Periodically, God rescues us from our plight and even rewards us. Take Joseph, for example. He was betrayed by his brothers. Sold as a slave. Falsely accused of rape. Dumped into a prison. He had no hope in sight. But God rescued Joseph at the right time...the right moment. God took him from the Pit to the Prison and elevated him to be the second ruler of all of Egypt.

There is nothing supernatural about patiently enduring the consequences of sin. However, there is something amazingly supernatural about enduring with patience harsh treatment received in return for doing what is right.

So, after looking at Joseph's experiences, here are some things to remember if you are being treated unfairly and unjustly:

1. Trust God without Panic
2. Don't allow lengthy afflictions to discourage you.
3. Don't allow bad memories to defeat you.
4. Learn to accept God's plan and will as good, even when there is evil in the process.

God has not forgotten you! He has not abandoned you! He knows where you are...and He sees, cares and understands and promises “never to leave you!”

Have a blessed week!  
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