

## Leading Up: Thriving When You're Not In Charge ∴ G19

Situation / Passage	Temptation when you're not in charge	Thriving when you're not in charge
<b>Promising but unproven</b> <i>Gen 37v1-11</i>	Tempted to spend up all your "promising future" chips in the present <i>success ≠ promotion</i>	Thrive by doing it... not talking about it <i>effectiveness = execution</i>
<b>Betrayed by jealous peers</b> <i>Gen 37v12-36</i>	Tempted to despair and fail backwards <i>failing ≠ identity</i>	Thrive by overcoming circumstances so you can fail forward <i>failure = training</i>
<b>Forced to do menial work</b> <i>Gen 39v1-6</i>	Tempted to think certain work is beneath what you are entitled to <i>preparation ≠ station</i>	Thrive by finding joy in an attitude of service <i>power = towel</i>
<b>Unjustly accused</b> <i>Gen 39v6-20</i>	Tempted to betray your long-term values for short-term gain <i>measure ≠ pleasure</i>	Thrive by fleeing temptation and believing time will prove your value <i>time = proof</i>
<b>Rock bottom a second time</b> <i>Gen 39v20-23</i>	Tempted toward a negative confirmation bias about your value <i>pattern ≠ truth</i>	Thrive by picking yourself back up and starting your redemption story all over again <i>grit = resilience</i>
<b>Helping forgetful influencers</b> <i>Gen 40v1-23</i>	Tempted to avoid influential leaders because of past hurt <i>motivation ≠ karma</i>	Thrive by helping in the moment even when you receive no credit <i>reward = heaven</i>
<b>Not giving away the big shot</b> <i>Gen 41:1-40</i>	Tempted to be falsely humble and not give bold advice to the powerful <i>confidence ≠ arrogance</i>	Thrive by being more bold and decisive than even a point leader can be in their role <i>opportunity = courage</i>
<b>Using borrowed influence</b> <i>Gen 41:41-57</i>	Tempted to avoid all trappings of power when they can be useful tools <i>position ≠ evil</i>	Thrive by stewarding and giving away borrowed position, power, and prestige <i>influence = power</i>
<b>Opportunity for selfish gain</b> <i>Gen 42-45</i>	Tempted to use success and powerful relationships for personal gain, irritating requests, or revenge <i>goal ≠ self</i>	Thrive by keeping the same standards and values when you are successful as when you were not <i>success = character</i>