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