

“Payout In The Workhouse” by Kirk Hunt

And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

Genesis 41:52 KJV

Zaphnathpaaneah served as Chancellor or Prime Minister to Pharaoh. His position and title delivered a life of wealth, power and privilege. It's easy to imagine he announced the birth of his second son, to the Egyptian elite, at a stylish and expensive party.

In the quiet and empty mansion, a different man appeared in the mirror. Under the expensive robes were marks from slavery's chains. Hidden by extravagant jewelery and the tokens of office, lay scars from the jailor's whip.

Joseph had no illusions about Egypt. Egypt had hurt him. Still, a faithful and blessing God ensured that he prospered, despite it all.

The precious newborn son in his arms told a story of care, provision and protection. God stood near. Hurt never became harm. “Ephraim, my payout.”

Maybe your circumstances have hurt you. Perhaps your road has seemed hard and harsh. God had a plan to preserve whole nations through Joseph. God has a plan for you.

Your barren patch will bloom and feed thousands. Your hurts will become healing for you and others. The God of heaven has a payout for you, right where you are.

Think: God has a payout for me, no matter my current circumstances.

Pray: “Lord, I thank You, in advance, for my coming payout.”

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