Cayucos Community Church Sermon Notes: 2-26-2023, Pastor Dale James

## Thriving with Joseph, pt 4 Lessons from the Family Tree

What's on your family tree?

Eli, David & Aaron

A new name for Joseph (41:45-46)

Zaphenath-Paneah =

Thriving people know how to pick their battles.

**A wife and 2 kids** (41:50-52)

Asenath – daughter of Potiphera, priest of On

Manasseh - from Hebrew root "to forget"

Ephraim – from Hebrew root "to be fruitful"

What is your Manasseh and Ephraim?

"Pain redeemed impresses me much more than pain removed." (Philip Yancy)

**Dream fulfilled** (the brothers arrive) [chapter 42]

Caution (42:9-10)

Tests (42:16ff)

A picture of grace & truth, wisdom & forgiveness

Prudence & clarification

The choice of Simeon

More tests (2 years later, chapters 43-44)

Discerning treatment of Benjamin & Jacob

Forgotten doesn't mean expunged from memory

Benjamin and the gold cup

Conviction and substitution

Satisfaction and Revelation (chapters 45-47)

Thriving people order their ways under God's sovereignty. (45:5-8)

My life is not my own. My ways & days belong to Him.

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