

# Genesis 41:1-57



## JOSEPH INTERPRETS PHARAOH'S DREAM

# Understanding Joseph's Story by Twos



Event	1 <sup>st</sup> Occurrence	2 <sup>nd</sup> Occurrence
Has Two Dreams	Sheaves Bowing Down (Gen 37:6-7)	Moon and Stars Bowing Down (Gen 37:9-10)
Has Two Betrayals (Two Garments)	Brothers Plot Against Him (Gen 37:18-26)	Potiphar's Wife Accuses Him (Gen 39:11-18)
Has Two Imprisonments	Sold as Slave (Gen 37:27-28)	Potiphar Throws Him in Jail (Gen 39:19-20)
Interprets Two Dreams in Prison	Cupbearer (Gen 40:9-13)	Baker (Gen 40:16-19)
Interprets Two Dreams of Pharaoh	Seven Lean Cows (Gen 41:17-21; 25-32)	Seven Ears of Grain (41:22-23; 25-32)
Brothers Make Two Trips to See Him	Visit of the Ten (Gen 42)	Visit of the Eleven (Gen 43)
Has Two Sons	Manasseh (Gen 41:50-51)	Ephraim (Gen 41:52)
But One Wife!	Asenath (Gen 41:45)	

The significance of twos means it is an act of God and determined as certain, cf. Gen 41:32. The exception is Joseph's wife which stands him in contrast to Jacob and his brothers.