

SUPER-GRACE BLESSINGS (#2)

Joseph's promotion to prime minister of Egypt was a super-grace blessing in the plan of God.

Joseph was given five super-grace blessings of privileges of Egyptian royalty authority (Gen.41:41-46).

- Royal signet ring
- Royal robe with golden chain
- Royal chariot of second-in-command
- Royal Egyptian name
- Royal Egyptian wife

During the seven years of plenty, God added two more super grace blessings by giving Joseph two sons in the plan of God.

This lesson will study four aspects of Joseph's Super-Grace Blessings.

1. Joseph named his two sons to reflect two spheres of reaching and maintaining super-grace status and how it affected his life (Gen.41:50-52).

Joseph named his first son, Manasseh. His name reflected Joseph's **earlier stage** of super-grace growth.

(Gen.41:51) "God has made me forget all my troubles and all my father's household." We call this stage of super-grace growth (**SG-1 blessings**)

Joseph named his second son, Ephraim. His name reflected Joseph's **later stage** of super-grace growth.

(Gen.41:52) "God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction." We call this stage of super grace growth (**SG2 blessings**)

2. At the time of entering Egypt as a slave, Joseph had reached super grace status and would go through intense adversity and prosperity of the Angelic conflict (AC).

We refer to this intense phase in the AC, of a super-grace believer's spiritual growth, as the **Desert Phase**. (Eph.6:10-17; 1 Tim.6:12; 1 John 5:4).

- **Job** went through it (Book of Job).
- **Moses** went through it (Ex.3-4).
- **Joshua and Caleb** went through it (Num.14:38).
- **Joseph** went through it (11th Toledoth of Genesis).

It is important to understand the **six stages** of spiritual growth in the Christian way of life (CWL).

(2 Pet.3:18) "But **grow (auzano/ p.a.impv.2pl) in grace** (charis/ lsf) **and knowledge** (gnosis/ lsf) of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen."

Super-grace status is one of six stages of grace in Christian way of life (CWL), called spiritual growth.

Paul used a Greek word to describe the process of spiritual growth to super-grace status.

(2 Thess.1:3) “We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brethren, as is only fitting, because your faith is greatly enlarged (**huperauxano**/ p.a.ind.3ps) [super growth],_and the love of each one of you towards one another grows ever greater.”

James used a phrase to describe super-grace growth.”

(James 4:6) But He gives (didomi/ p.a.ind.3ps) a **greater grace** (megas charis).”

3. There are three stages to the Desert Phrase of super grace spiritual growth.

Understanding these three stages are important so that a spiritually advancing believer is not surprise or shocked by them.

(1 Pet.4:12-13) “Beloved, **do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal** among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange were happening to you; but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation.”

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