

Historic White Marsh Church

January 12, 2025

Prelude Marjorie Lampkin - Pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn ~ 508 Love Lifted Me

Scripture Reading: Genesis 45:4-13; 50:20

Prayer

Hymn ~ 591 Have Thine Own Way

Special Music: "How Excellent Is Your Name" Alabaster Grace

Sermon: "Growing Through Affliction: The Story of Joseph"

Hymn ~ 571 Trust and Obey

Benediction & Postlude

Announcements:

Church de-decorating is **today** following the service with food provided, thanks to Jean Bryan!

New way to Connect: Download the **Church Center App** and search "Historic White Marsh Church" for up-to-date information about HWMC.

"Change for Children" - Bring your extra coins and place them in the Operation Christmas Child can by the door to the annex.

***Wes, Brad, and Marjie thank everyone
for the generous Christmas gifts!***

Tithes & Offerings: Please use the wooden **offering box** or *mail your offering to: PO Box 24, Lancaster, VA 22503. Thank you!*

Membership: *If you are interested in becoming a member of Historic White Marsh Church, please talk to Rev. Brad Perry.*

Historic White Marsh Church is an independent, Bible-believing, teaching, and Christ-loving Church. We are made up of Christians from diverse backgrounds, who are going to the same place (heaven) because of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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Sundays with Alabaster Grace on 101.7 Bay FM Sundays 9:15-9:30 AM

Growing Through Affliction: The Story of Joseph

Genesis 45:4-13; 50:20

Joseph served God faithfully and became fruitful through a series of afflictions:

1. Joseph became fruitful through rejection.
 - He honed his skills while being rejected.
 - Potiphar saw his faith, wisdom, and skills.
 - Potiphar put him in charge of his household.
2. Joseph became fruitful through false accusations.
 - He withstood the false accusation of Potiphar's wife.
 - He did not grumble or complain but sought opportunities to help others.
 - The prison warden observes his faithful character and promotes him.
3. Joseph became fruitful through being forgotten.
 - He interpreted the dreams of other prisoners.
 - He gained visibility with Pharaoh by interrupting his dreams.
 - Pharaoh put him in charge of Egypt's operations.

Application:

1. We can make the best of our circumstances without complaining.
2. We can use our afflictions to improve our skills in serving.
3. We can be patient while being obedient to God.
4. We can be forgiving through our afflictions.

Study Questions:

1. How does Joseph's story encourage you in the afflictions you face?
2. Do you believe God can help you be fruitful through your afflictions?
3. How do difficult challenges help us to grow in our faith walk?
4. Can you share an example of where you have grown through afflictions you have faced?

Pastor Brad

Sunday: Bible Explorers Class at 9:45 AM & Worship at 11:00 AM
Thursday Bible Study: 6:00 PM