

Bible History Puzzle 28

Circle the correct answer in the parentheses:

Last time we saw Joseph, he was in prison, remember? He wasn't there because he had done something wrong, but God let him be put in prison because He had a (journey, plan) for him.

One day, after Joseph had already been in prison for several years, two (men, women) were brought to the prison. One was the chief baker and the other the chief (butler, butcher), both from Pharaoh's palace. We don't know why they were thrown in prison, but now they were in prison too, and Joseph brought them their food and water every day. One morning Joseph went into their cell and he found them looking very (terrified, sad). Joseph asked them what was wrong.

They answered, "We both had a (meal, dream) last night, but we don't know what they mean!"

Joseph answered that God could interpret them, or tell what they meant, and the men should tell him the dreams.

The butler told his dream first. "I was dreaming that there was a vine with three (trunks, branches), and the branches had buds, flowers, and grapes. Then I picked the ripe (grapes, berries), squeezed out the juice into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave it to the king."

God showed Joseph what the dream meant and Joseph spoke, "The three branches are three (years, days). In three days the butler would be taken back out of the prison and he could go back and work for the king as the chief butler again, serving him his (bottle, cup) of wine." Joseph also asked the butler to remember Joseph when he was

back in the (town, palace) and to tell Pharaoh that he was (innocent, hungry).

"Of course!" the happy butler promised.

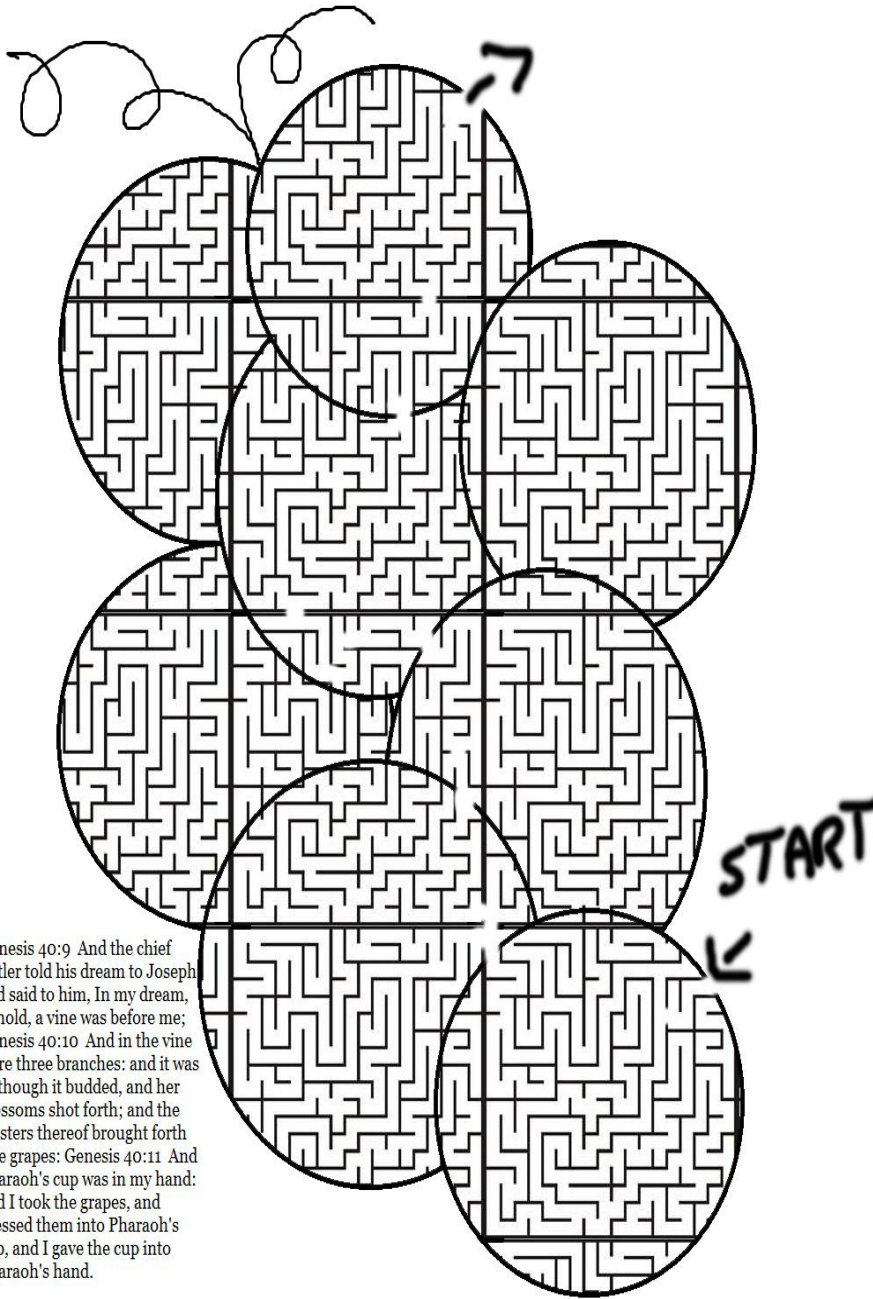
The baker had heard the butler's dream and the meaning and now he told his dream to Joseph. "In my dream I had three (buckets, baskets) on top of my head. In the top basket I had all kinds of baked goods for the king and (birds, rats) were eating them out of the basket."

Then Joseph had to tell him the meaning of his dream too. "Your three baskets are a picture of (five, three) days too. In three days, you will be taken and hung from a tree and the (dogs, birds) will come and eat your body." What a sad thing to hear!

After three days it happened just as the Lord had showed Joseph. The butler was brought back to the (kitchen, palace) and served Pharaoh again, but the baker was killed and hung on a (wall, tree).

Did the butler remember Joseph like he had promised? No, Joseph probably thought that he would be set free any day, but instead he stayed in prison. The Lord was teaching him to be very patient and trust in Him and not in a man.





Genesis 40:9 And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph and said to him, In my dream, behold, a vine was before me; Genesis 40:10 And in the vine were three branches: and it was as though it budded, and her blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes: Genesis 40:11 And Pharaoh's cup was in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.

Circle the correct answer:

- True or False: The butler and baker understood their dreams. True False
- True or False: Both the butler and the baker were saved from punishment. True False
- True or False: The butler forgot about Joseph. True False
- True or False: Both dreams meant the same thing? True False
- What did the baker dream about? Bread and birds
Meat and dogs
- What did the cupbearer dream about? Grapes and vines
Baskets and bread
- How did Joseph know what the dream meant?
God showed him what it meant
He was a wise man
- What animals appear in this lesson:
Dogs birds
- How many branches were on the vine in the cupbearer's dream? Seven Three
- How many baskets were on the baker's head in his dream?
Five Three