

Endurance

Shalom,

The Torah reading for this week is found in **Genesis 41:1–44:17**, is the portion called **Mikeitz** in the Hebrew Scriptures, and is translated “**At the end.**” The day will come when our desires will manifest, and our waiting will **end if we remain steadfast in trust. Joseph’s endurance is an example to each of us.** He chose to wait on the Lord as a servant, and that act of serving God was obvious in every part of his life.

The dreams given to Joseph were from God, and they certainly gave him strength to endure through years of difficult circumstances. Dreams and visions from God are powerful gifts to direct His people in the paths prepared for them. **Something to consider, however, is that every dream, vision, or word that God speaks to us is not for sharing with others. Some of God’s instructions to us are to be kept in our hearts and only shared as He directs.**

Mary heard from the Angel of God about the supernatural birth of Jesus and submitted to it without revealing it publicly. She followed the instructions given to her and **let the Holy Spirit reveal the truth to others.**

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. (Luke 2:19 KJV)

Yeshua had great revelation of Who He was and the plan of the Father for Him, but He shared only what the Father told Him to make known, and at the precise time that He was directed to reveal it.

*Then said Jesus unto them, “When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am He, and that **I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father hath taught Me, I speak these things.**” (John 8:28 KJV)*

*“**I still have much more to tell you, but you cannot handle it just now.** But when the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on His own; but whatever He hears, He will tell you. And He will declare to you the things that are to come.” (John 16:12-13 TLV)*

God’s timing is always perfect! He is never late! We need to do what the Word teaches and trust Him with all our hearts by not leaning on natural understanding.

Obedying the instructions given to us should be our primary goal. Don't think that you need to say everything that is revealed to you. The Holy Spirit will tell you what to say, and when to say it.

Joseph immediately shared his dreams with his family and, although the message was accurate, the **timing**, and perhaps the **motive** for sharing them, offended those who heard them so that they set their hearts against the promises that God was giving for their deliverance. Their hearts were hard and unable to perceive spiritual truth. Some things that God reveals to us must be shared. **Other things should be pondered and prayed about** until we are shown how to proceed.

The Lord shows us some things just for us, some that are to be held for a time to share later, and other things are meant to be shared with everyone.

He told them, "**You don't get to know the time. Timing is the Father's business.**" (Acts 1:7 MSG)

God wants to make things clear to us. He will reveal everything in its proper time. **Remember that YHWH, in His wisdom, knows everything and just how to time every answer.** Hearing the Good Shepherd clearly will show us what and when to say what He reveals to us so that His people may hear and respond to His perfect will.

In His perfect timing,
Terry

With your ears you will hear a Word from behind you: "This is the way; stay on it,..." (Isaiah 30:21 CJB)

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