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**Scripture**: Psalm 40:2 "when I cried out to the Lord, He brought me up out of the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock, making my footsteps firm"

Food For Thought: You will come Out!

The story of Joseph presents us with facts that cannot be denied. That Joseph was chosen by God, Joseph was anointed by God, Joseph had a destiny given by God, Joseph was favored by God, Joseph was favored by his earthly father & the hand of God was deniably on Joseph. Judging from that wonderful criteria it would look like Joseph had it made. Right? He was living the life and in today's world you would expect to find his book under lifestyles of the rich and famous! But we find that this same Joseph who had "everything" going for him, who had the "winning combination" who was anointed by God, who was favoured by his earthly father and had so many great advantages, one day found himself in a pit!!

Beloved, sometimes in life despite who you are or everything you have, you could fall into a pit, sometimes you jump in, and sometimes you're pushed in. Regardless of how you get there or why you're there, a Pit is a Pit and every now and again everyone has a pit experience in life. Pit experiences are a temporary set back. They are and should never be permanent and you can not afford to get too familiar with pit life!

There are some people who saw you in the pit, there are some people that even helped put you in the pit, and they have watched you struggling, and pushing, and scratching and clawing trying to climb your way out. I believe with all my heart that just like Joseph you are coming out of that pit!!! The Word promises that God will deliver you from every affliction. When we face the pitfalls of life be confident and remember that God has not given you a spirit of cowardice, but a spirit of power, love, and self-discipline, then you will rise from the pit to the pinnacle.

Perhaps you are in a financial pit or an emotional pit or a health pit, a relational pit, or even a spiritual pit. I want you to be determined never to quit in the pit, but always to grab hold of the rope of hope which is God's Word and make your way to the palace like Joseph!

David had a day like that, David a man after God's own heart, found himself in a pit on many different occasions. And in Psalm 40:2 he says this "when I cried out to the Lord, He brought me up out of the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock, making my footsteps firm." And the same God who loved David and responded to David and delivered David will deliver you from that pit.

Don't give up! Despite everything that's happening around you, do not develop or entertain a defeatist attitude. No matter how hopeless it looks in that pit know you are on the winning team! You will overcome. Keep your eyes and mind focused on getting out and testifying of God's helping hand. Praying for you.

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