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## ***The Dreamer Rises***

### **Introduction**

#### **1. God's Side of Opening Opportunity**

<sup>1</sup> After two whole years, Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing by the Nile..." (Genesis 41:1, ESV)

<sup>15</sup> And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. I have heard it said of you that when you hear a dream you can interpret it." <sup>16</sup> Joseph answered Pharaoh, "It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh a favorable answer." (Genesis 41:15, ESV)

<sup>28</sup> It is as I told Pharaoh; God has shown to Pharaoh what he is about to do. <sup>29</sup> There will come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt, <sup>30</sup> but after them there will arise seven years of famine, and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of Egypt. The famine will consume the land, <sup>31</sup> and the plenty will be unknown in the land by reason of the famine that will follow, for it will be very severe. <sup>32</sup> And the doubling of Pharaoh's dream means that the thing is fixed by God, and God will shortly bring it about." (Genesis 41:28-32, ESV)

"I feel that all the songs, all the music I've ever done is a gift from God." (Smokey Robinson found in: "Smokey Robinson Bares His Soul in Gospel Foray," Yahoo News (4/28/04))