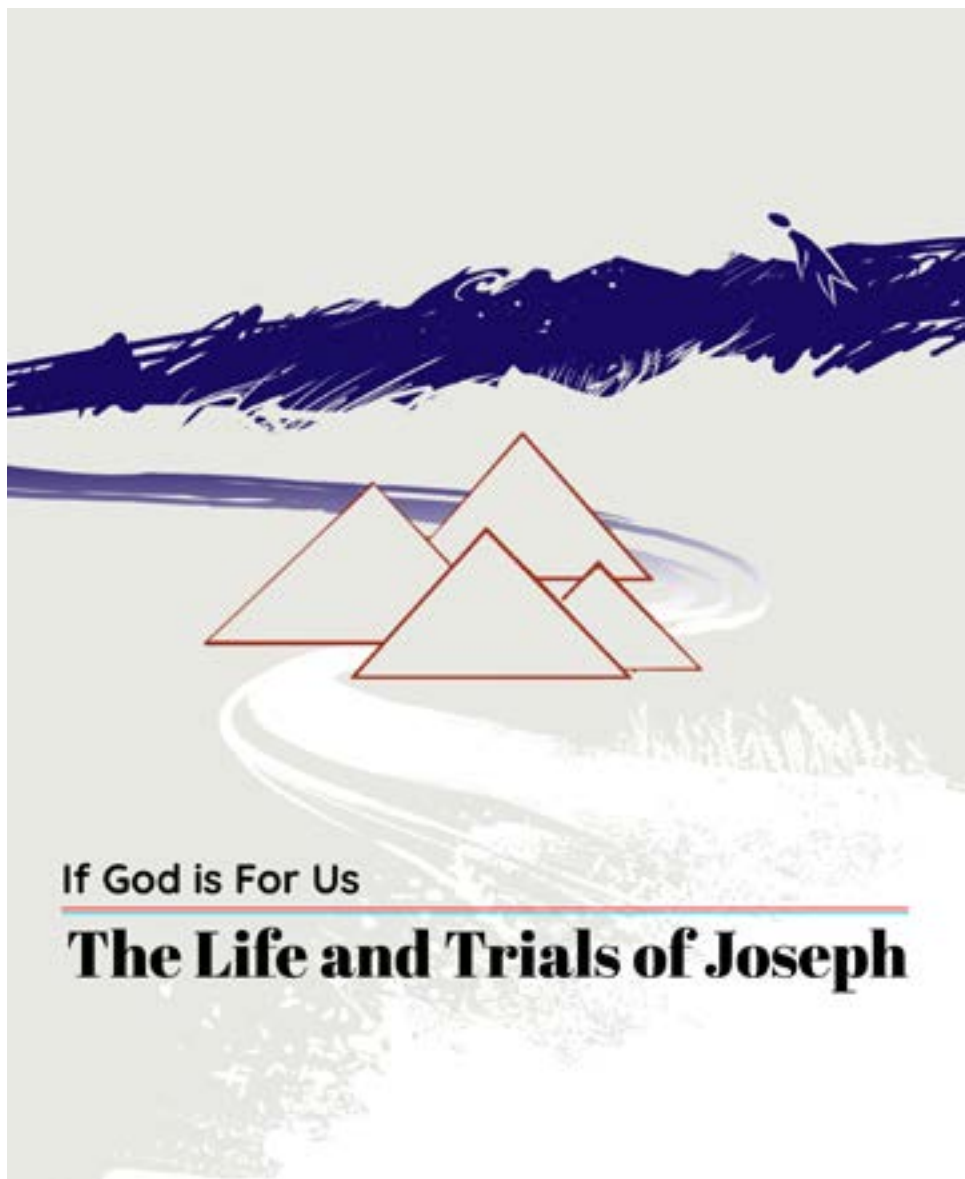




If God is For Us

The Life and Trials of Joseph



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God is Faithful and Faithful Amidst Suffering

Preacher: Melvin Huang

Sunday, October 26, 2025 | 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Welcome & Call to Worship

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Genesis 41:1-57*

Worship in the Word, Melvin Huang

"God is Faithful and Faithful Amidst Suffering" -

[Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Benediction & Doxology

Call to Worship

The call to worship exhorts God's people to turn from worldly distractions and to focus hearts, minds, and actions on revering him.



UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

The First Test

November 2 | *Genesis 42* | Jason Tarn

The Second Test

November 9 | *Genesis 43* | Henry Ow

The Substitute

November 16 | *Genesis 44* | Stanley Chang

Forgiveness

November 23 | *Genesis 45* | Jason Tarn



ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:

hcc.lv/sermons



ENGLISH ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Sunday School classes from 11:00 AM-12:15 PM. Jesus calls us to be disciples, workers, and leaders. Our teaching ministry aims to produce believers who are committed to the call of Jesus.

New Testament Survey (Part 1 of 3): Matthew-Acts | Rm 210

Passing Faith to Gen X, Gen Y (Millenials), and Gen Z | Rm 113

Christian Ethics (Part 1 of 3) | Chapel



SERMON NOTES

If God is For Us: The Life and Trials of Joseph

God is Faithful and Faithful Amidst Suffering

Genesis 41:1-57

So far in the life and trials of Joseph, we have seen him repeatedly betrayed and suffer injustices; yet God was faithful and caused him to be fruitful even in jail. Now in chapter 41, we come to an inflection point where God orchestrates his remarkable, meteoric rise to power from prison to Pharaoh's palace, from prisoner to prime minister over all of Egypt. This rise though came about through his afflictions. Today's text then teaches us this precious truth: **God is faithful in our sufferings and helps us be fruitful through them.** Whether feast or famine, God is faithful and fruitful for our flourishing.

1. From Pit to Palace: God's Faithfulness in Joseph's Sufferings (vv1-36)
 - a. Joseph Powerless in Prison and Pharaoh's Nightmares (vv1-8)

- b. Joseph Rushed to the Palace to Interpret Pharaoh's Dreams (vv9-36)

2. From Prisoner to Prime Minister: God's Fruitfulness through Joseph's Sufferings (vv37-57)
 - a. Joseph Rises to Power as He Is Promoted by Pharaoh (vv37-45)
 - b. Joseph at the Pinnacle of Power as Prime Minister (vv46-57)

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Pastors Appreciation Month!

October is Pastors Appreciation Month! Let's take a moment to express our gratitude for our pastors and ministers for their faithful service. Please use the link below to write a few words of encouragement and appreciation: hcc.lv/pastorsappreciation.

Breeze Information Update | TODAY | 10:30AM-11:00AM | HCC Atrium

Please come by HCC atrium to ensure that your profile information in our church management system (Breeze) is up to date. Updating your information will ensure that the church can keep you up to date with things going on in the life of our church. There will also be someone taking professional photos to update your profile photo. Your profile photo will be used for our upcoming 2026 prayer guide!

General Membership Meeting | TODAY | 12:30PM | Sanctuary

This will be a vote to affirm the deacon/elder nominees for 2026. We need more than 50% of the church members to attend this meeting to meet quorum in order to vote. Otherwise, we will hold another meeting next Sunday, November 2nd.

Cambodia Trip Sharing | TODAY | 12:45PM-2:00PM | Trailer 411

Come hear the amazing things God has done in Cambodia through our missions team! From pickle ball ministry to business as missions and even a kindergarten dedication—there's so much to share!

FOLO Gathering | Saturday, November 1st | 9:00AM-10:30AM | Whitt Johnson Park
FOLO (Fathers of Little Ones) is having its next gathering at Whitt Johnson Park (6540 Wakeforest Ave). Bring the kids for a time of fellowship and fun! For questions, contact Alan Bennett at ab@alumni.rice.edu

MOLO | Thursday, November 20th | 8:30PM-9:30PM | ZOOM online
"Raising Kids with Character in a World That Tests It." Pastor Fred will be giving a ZOOM talk on child character development. All are welcomed, more info to come. Email Yi Wang at eeex101@gmail.com for questions.

A Miracle in Two Worlds | November 21st-22nd | Stafford Centre

Two women, separated in time by centuries, are united by a miracle. Their hearts long for a cure, but what they find is beyond healing. *A Miracle in Two Worlds* is an original musical that transcends time and space, blending biblical stories with modern realism, performed in both English and Chinese. With compelling drama, beautiful music and a touching real-life story, it is a great opportunity to share God's love with your friends and family. Promotional posters and postcards are available from the church office. To reserve free tickets: actsperform.org/event.

Save The Date: Women's Ministry Event | Saturday, December 6th | 9:30AM-11:30AM

Join us for our Women's Ministry Winter Event "White as Snow: Finding Forgiveness through Christ"! Though each of us is uniquely crafted by God like snowflakes, we are all invited into Christ's redeeming grace that washes us white as snow. We'll learn what it means to be truly forgiven and how to forgive others well. Registration begins October 26. For more information, please email womensministry@hcchome.org.

Legacy Coalition | March 19th-20th, 2026 | Frisco, TX

Invest in your grandchildren's forever. Next year's summit invites you to focus on what truly lasts—your time, energy, and legacy. What we do now shapes not only our children and grandchildren but generations to come. Register by October 31st to receive a special early bird discount! legacycoalition.com/summit.

CHURCH NOTICES

HCC Polos

To commemorate 50 years of God's faithfulness to our church, we have designed a polo for purchase. This is a limited run, so place your order by Sunday (11/9) using the following link: hcc.lv/hccpolo.

Reminder: Daylight Savings "Fall Back"

It's that time again, Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday, November 2nd. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed so you can make it to church on time!

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 19, 2025

CHURCH WIDE RETREAT

234

ENGLISH

189

CANT+MAND

21

PEARLAND

84

CHILDREN

528

TOTAL



OCTOBER 12, 2025	OFFERINGS	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$12,045.50	\$1,685,197.50	(\$435,436.56)	(\$534,313.53)
PCC GENERAL	\$3,450.00	\$170,830.00		
HCC BUILDING	\$ 0.25	\$305,909.94		
ORIGINAL PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$2,600.00	\$929,947.69		
RENOVATION PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$1,000.00	\$867,641.05		



STAFF ITINERARY

James Chang: Vacation, 10/9–10/31



LUNCH PREPARATION

Newcomers can pick up a free lunch coupon & voucher to book stall at the Welcome Desk!

Preston & Josh/Jeremy & Wendy (this week)

Jiaxin/SYPF (next week)



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight:

[hcc.lv/pray25](#)



← PPGF GIVING CODES

Your donation will default to the General Fund, unless you use a code to designate a fund (e.g. \$250.25 for a pledge fulfillment).

"27" - Fulfilling your Renovation Pledge

"25" - Fulfilling your Building Project pledge

"22" - Designate to the HCC Building Fund

ABOUT US

New or Visiting HCC?

If you are a newcomer or visitor, we would love to connect you with our church community! Take a moment to fill out our Visitor's Welcome form: [hcc.lv/welcome](#) OR stop by our welcome desk in the lobby. We will contact you with ways to connect with our community!

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