



## Scripture References for Day 11

(All verses NKJV except where noted)

### Isaiah 46:3

Listen to Me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, who have been upheld *by Me* from birth, who have been carried from the womb...

### Isaiah 46:9-10

Remember the former things of old, for *I am* God, and *there is* no other;  
*I am* God, and *there is* none like Me, declaring the end from the beginning,  
And from ancient times *things* that are not *yet* done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand,  
And I will do all My pleasure,'

### Psalms 139:16

Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when *as yet there were* none of them.

### Isaiah 63:9

In all their affliction He was afflicted, and the Angel of His Presence saved them;  
In His love and in His pity He redeemed them; and He bore them and carried them  
all the days of old.

### Isaiah 53:4

Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

### 1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.

### 1 Peter 5:9

Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

## Genesis 37

Now Jacob dwelt in the land where his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan. <sup>2</sup>This *is* the history of Jacob.

Joseph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brothers. And the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father.

<sup>3</sup>Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* the son of his old age. Also he made him a tunic of *many* colors. <sup>4</sup>But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peaceably to him.

<sup>5</sup>Now Joseph had a dream, and he told *it* to his brothers; and they hated him even more. <sup>6</sup>So he said to them, "Please hear this dream which I have dreamed: <sup>7</sup>There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Then behold, my sheaf arose and also stood upright; and indeed your sheaves stood all around and bowed down to my sheaf."

<sup>8</sup>And his brothers said to him, "Shall you indeed reign over us? Or shall you indeed have dominion over us?" So they hated him even more for his dreams and for his words.

<sup>9</sup>Then he dreamed still another dream and told it to his brothers, and said, "Look, I have dreamed another dream. And this time, the sun, the moon, and the eleven stars bowed down to me."

<sup>10</sup>So he told *it* to his father and his brothers; and his father rebuked him and said to him, "What *is* this dream that you have dreamed? Shall your mother and I and your brothers indeed come to bow down to the earth before you?" <sup>11</sup>And his brothers envied him, but his father kept the matter *in mind*.

<sup>12</sup>Then his brothers went to feed their father's flock in Shechem. <sup>13</sup>And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers feeding *the flock* in Shechem? Come, I will send you to them."

So he said to him, "Here I am."

<sup>14</sup>Then he said to him, "Please go and see if it is well with your brothers and well with the flocks, and bring back word to me." So he sent him out of the Valley of Hebron, and he went to Shechem.

<sup>15</sup>Now a certain man found him, and there he was, wandering in the field. And the man asked him, saying, "What are you seeking?"

<sup>16</sup>So he said, "I am seeking my brothers. Please tell me where they are feeding *their flocks*."

<sup>17</sup>And the man said, "They have departed from here, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them in Dothan.

<sup>18</sup>Now when they saw him afar off, even before he came near them, they conspired against him to kill him. <sup>19</sup>Then they said to one another, "Look, this dreamer is coming! <sup>20</sup>Come therefore, let us now kill him and cast him into some pit; and we shall say, 'Some wild beast has devoured him.' We shall see what will become of his dreams!"

<sup>21</sup>But Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands, and said, "Let us not kill him." <sup>22</sup>And Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood, *but* cast him into this pit which *is* in the wilderness, and do not lay a hand on him"—that he might deliver him out of their hands, and bring him back to his father.

<sup>23</sup> So it came to pass, when Joseph had come to his brothers, that they stripped Joseph *of* his tunic, the tunic of *many* colors that *was* on him. <sup>24</sup> Then they took him and cast him into a pit. And the pit *was* empty; *there was* no water in it.

<sup>25</sup> And they sat down to eat a meal. Then they lifted their eyes and looked, and there was a company of Ishmaelites, coming from Gilead with their camels, bearing spices, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry *them* down to Egypt. <sup>26</sup> So Judah said to his brothers, “What profit *is there* if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup> Come and let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he *is* our brother *and* our flesh.” And his brothers listened. <sup>28</sup> Then Midianite traders passed by; *so the brothers* pulled Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty *shekels* of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

<sup>29</sup> Then Reuben returned to the pit, and indeed Joseph *was* not in the pit; and he tore his clothes. <sup>30</sup> And he returned to his brothers and said, “The lad *is* no *more*; and I, where shall I go?”

<sup>31</sup> So they took Joseph’s tunic, killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the tunic in the blood. <sup>32</sup> Then they sent the tunic of *many* colors, and they brought *it* to their father and said, “We have found this. Do you know whether it *is* your son’s tunic or not?”

<sup>33</sup> And he recognized it and said, “*It is* my son’s tunic. A wild beast has devoured him. Without doubt Joseph is torn to pieces.” <sup>34</sup> Then Jacob tore his clothes, put sackcloth on his waist, and mourned for his son many days. <sup>35</sup> And all his sons and all his daughters arose to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted, and he said, “For I shall go down into the grave to my son in mourning.” Thus his father wept for him.

<sup>36</sup> Now the Midianites<sup>[a]</sup> had sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh *and* captain of the guard.

## **Genesis 50:17-20**

Thus you shall say to Joseph: “I beg you, please forgive the trespass of your brothers and their sin; for they did evil to you.” Now, please, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of your father.” And Joseph wept when they spoke to him.

<sup>18</sup> Then his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, “Behold, we *are* your servants.”

<sup>19</sup> Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid, for *am* I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup> But as for you, you meant evil against me; *but* God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as *it is* this day, to save many people alive.

## **1 Thessalonians 5:18**

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

## **Isaiah 63:9**

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smitten by God, and afflicted.

### **Deuteronomy 8:3**

So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every *word* that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.

### **Psalm 66:6-12**

He turned the sea into dry *land*; they went through the river on foot.

There we will rejoice in Him. He rules by His power forever; His eyes observe the nations; do not let the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah

Oh, bless our God, you peoples! And make the voice of His praise to be heard,  
Who keeps our soul among the living, and does not allow our feet to be moved.

For You, O God, have tested us; You have refined us as silver is refined.

You brought us into the net; You laid affliction on our backs. You have caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; but You brought us out to rich *fulfillment*.

### **1 Timothy 6:15 (Phillips)**

This will be, in his own time, the final monument of God, who is the blessed controller of all things, the king over all kings and the master of all masters, the only source of immortality, the one who lives in unapproachable light, the one whom no mortal eye has ever seen or ever can see. To him be acknowledged all honor and power for ever, amen!

### **2 Corinthians 4:17-18**

For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen *are* temporary, but the things which *are* not seen are eternal.



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