

Read Genesis 41:1-8

1 Two full years later, Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing on the bank of the Nile River.

2 In his dream he saw seven fat, healthy cows come up out of the river and begin grazing in the marsh grass.

3 Then he saw seven more cows come up behind them from the Nile, but these were scrawny and thin. These cows stood beside the fat cows on the riverbank.

4 Then the scrawny, thin cows ate the seven healthy, fat cows! At this point in the dream, Pharaoh woke up.

5 But he fell asleep again and had a second dream. This time he saw seven heads of grain, plump and beautiful, growing on a single stalk.

6 Then seven more heads of grain appeared, but these were shriveled and withered by the east wind.

7 And these thin heads swallowed up the seven plump, well-formed heads! Then Pharaoh woke up again and realized it was a dream.

8 The next morning Pharaoh was very disturbed by the dreams. So, he called for all the magicians and wise men of Egypt. When Pharaoh told them his dreams, not one of them could tell him what they meant.

Two years later where was Joseph? He was still in prison.

What happened when Joseph was in prison (v. 1)? Pharaoh had a dream.

What did Pharaoh dream (2-4)? (Read)

After Pharaoh woke up, what happened when he went back to sleep (v. 5)? He had another dream.

What was his second dream (vv. 5-7)? (Read)

How did Pharaoh feel about his dreams (v. 8)? He was troubled. His mind was disturbed. He was probably scared a little.

What did he do next? He called in all his magicians and wise men to tell him what his dreams meant.

Could any of Pharaoh's magicians and wise men tell him what his dreams meant? No

Why couldn't they interpret his dreams (40:8b)? They worshipped the wrong God. Their "god" couldn't interpret dreams.