A Man with A Plan

Genesis 41:33-52, Proverbs 6:6-8, Proverbs 30:25, 2 Timothy 3:1-5

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Joseph's Plan

- 1. Look for a <u>wise</u> and <u>discerning leaders</u> and set him over the land of Egypt. (v. 33)
- 2. Have everyone give <u>a fifth</u> or <u>20% of their harvest</u> to the government during the prosperous years. (v. 34)
- 3. Store the surplus so you will have it during the time of famine. (v. 35, 36)

Major Point: Joseph was a man with a plan.

Remember the old adage: "Failing to plan is planning to fail."

The S.A.M. Method

S. — Specific

A. — Attainable

M. — Measurable

How did Joseph's plan work out? <u>It was extremely successful.</u> (Genesis 41:47-49; 53-57)

Observations about ants:

- 1. There are $\underline{\text{over } 10,000}$ different species of ants.
- 2. An ant is able to lift $\underline{20}$ times their own body weight.
- 3. Ants have <u>two</u> stomachs—one for storing up food to <u>share with others</u> later and one for itself.
- 4. The life expectancy is 45-60 days.

One more observation about ants:

Ants are known as <u>social</u> insects. Ants always live in <u>organized communities</u> called colonies. (Hebrews 10:25)