

FAX MESSAGE

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Dear John,

We read a portion of the five books of Moses each Sabbath and the theme of the sermon is usually taken from that reading. I thought you might like to know that Rabbi Kimche focused this morning on the account of Joseph's early years in Egypt found in Genesis 39. He is the only one of our forefathers who is described, in verse 2, as 'successful'. As we see these biblical stories as providing an insight for the behaviour of future generations, clearly there was a special quality about his career that defines success in our terms.

Rabbi Kimche explained that there are two types of success. There is success or prosperity achieved at the expense of others and conversely there is success achieved by bringing success to others. Joseph is described as successful because in the three situations in which he finds himself, the house of Potiphar (v5), the prison (v22-23), and Pharaoh's court (Ch 41), he brings success to others.

Rabbi Kimche expressed our appreciation for the fact that you have clearly set out not only to succeed in the immediate sense of winning the appeal but also to expose the prejudice and hatred that we have faced. He publicly wished you further personal success, and the satisfaction of bringing success to others.

I should also let you know that, sadly, Eric Fibbens is in the Princess Grace Hospital and has been in an oxygen tent since Wednesday night. The chemotherapy had weakened his immune system and he has a chest infection that has seriously impaired his breathing. I spoke to Heather tonight but he cannot take visitors at this point. He sent me this fax just before the sabbath - I hope it is legible. I read it out to the family and cried.

I'll fax you tomorrow with an update on our statistics.

Best wishes,
David.