Message Outline

Joseph: Not Your Average Joe— A Real Hero

Intro: A new sermon series...

- Joseph: a man of perseverance, forgiveness, and hope...
- Josephs entry into earth...

Read: Genesis 29:1-30:24

29:1-14—Joseph's dad's (Jacob's) deception that left him on the run...

29:15-20—Working for a wife...

29:21-30—The deceiver is deceived...

29:31-30:24—Wild maternity wing...

*Who is your hero?

- Avengers new movie...
- Humanities hunger for heroes!
- Joseph is a Biblical hero...

How To Make a Hero

- 1) When N NOT H
 - Joseph's gene pool polluted...
 - Scripture calls this brokenness "sin" (cf. Rom.5:12ff., Ps. 51:5).
 - -Kid's pick up wrong naturally... need outside help to do right!
 - Importance of Virgin birth...
- 2) When N_____ NOT H___
 - Joseph's home life is a dysfunctional life (ch.29-30,34,35).
 - Where's dad? Role in naming...
- 3) When C NOT B
 - God's marriage blueprints (Gen.2, Mt. 19)...
 - Jacob instead following a cultural practice that leads to problems...

How to Spell Hero: "He adds"...God's adding what's lacking...

• Biblically, heroes "birthed" from Superhero (Jn.1:12-14)...