

Jesus, the Heart of the Bible
The Favored Son & the Pit
Genesis 37

Introduction: We are walking through Genesis in a series titled "Jesus, the Heart of the Bible." The point is to see Jesus in the Old Testament books of Genesis and Exodus so that we are

- reminded of the greatness of God and
- the eternity of his saving plan,

all in the hope that seeing Jesus in these books will amaze our hearts, giving us more reasons to

- love,
- obey and trust him.

In the creation account of Genesis, we learn that God is unique, great, and good. It's important to hold onto those three truths because each one of them is repeatedly challenged, both in the Scriptures and in our lives. Among many others, the life of Joseph challenges God's uniqueness, greatness, and goodness.

The wise person answers the statement, "*God loves you and has a wonderful plan for your life,*" by asking about Joseph or pointing to Jesus, whose life, from an unbeliever's point of view, ended as a crucified criminal.

If Genesis can be studied through the lens of six men's lives:

Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph,

it is Joseph's life, by far, that takes up most of Genesis.

In all, chapters 37-50, minus chapter 38, detail Joseph's life. He receives more attention than any other Hebrew patriarch, including Abraham (chs 12-21). Chapter 38 is about Joseph's older brother, Judah, whom we will meet again when Joseph reunites with his family in Egypt.

(PS – The story of Judah, Tamar, and their twins is mentioned again in the genealogy of Jesus in Matthew 1:3).

For this reason, it is going to take us 13 weeks to work our way through the life of Joseph.

First: Joseph as a Type of Jesus

Remember that: The Old Testament is the New Testament concealed and
 The New Testament is the Old Testament revealed.

There are many OT truths we really don't see like we should until the NT explains them. In this case, it is Stephen, the church's first martyr, who draws our attention to the parallels between Joseph and Jesus.

Acts 7:9-10 & 51 - And the patriarchs, jealous of Joseph, sold him into Egypt; but God was with him ¹⁰ and rescued him out of all his afflictions and gave him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh, king of Egypt, who made him ruler over Egypt and over all his household.... You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did [to Joseph], so do you [to Jesus and the apostles].

In fact, the parallels between Joseph and Jesus are far too numerous to mention at this time, but you will see many of them as we peer into Joseph's life.

Note: After the Daily Devotion, you can find 100 ways Joseph prefigures Jesus (Copied and pasted from a web site)

Second: The Universality of Sin

If -

- Noah demonstrates persevering faith.
- Abraham illustrates obedient faith.
- Joseph shows the triumph of faith.

It is often said that Joseph is the most perfect animate type of Jesus in the Old Testament, the most perfect inanimate type being the Tabernacle. People often say that Joseph is sinless throughout his life narrative.

But either subtly or directly, the Bible is honest about all its characters. In the OT alone, we see that -

- Adam sinned against the Lord
- Noah got drunk and was uncovered in his tent (Genesis 9:21).

- Abraham lied (twice) (Gen 12; 20).
- Isaac repeated his father's sin (Gen 26:6-11).
- Jacob cheated his brother out of his birthright (Gen 27:34-40).

One major point of the Bible is condensed in Paul's statements that,

Romans 3:10 – *None is righteous, no, not one*

Romans 3:23 – *For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*

Third: Jacob's Favor and Joseph's Sin

Jacob loves Joseph because he loved Joseph's mother, Rachel, more than Leah, his first wife.

Jacob's sons were born in this order: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, Joseph, and Benjamin (Rachel died giving birth to Benjamin).

Leah: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah

Bilhah (Rachel's handmaid): Dan, Naphtali

Zilpah (Leah's handmaid): Gad and Asher

Leah: Issachar, Zebulun, and Dinah

Rachel: Joseph and Benjamin (Gen 49:16)

The first four of Jacob's children belonged to Leah, and she later gave him two more sons and a daughter—seven children total. The last two of Jacob's children belonged to Rachel. In between were two sons of Bilhah (Rachel's maid) and two sons of Zilpah (Leah's maid).

To this point, Joseph's life had been idyllic. He was the favorite son of a wealthy father, given a multicolored robe that made him stand out from the crowd, and enjoyed not one but two dreams prophesying his exaltation above his brothers and family.

1) Joseph's Gossip 2

Is Jacob justified in his sharing or is it tattle-telling? Either way, did he have to share it?

2) Joseph's First Dream 1-8

At this point, you want to say to Joseph, *"There's a time and place for everything, and this is neither the time nor place."* He would have made a bad real estate agent because he doesn't know the value of location, location, location.

3) Joseph's Second Dream 9-11

These dreams are from God. But Joseph has already witnessed his brothers' response to the first dream. This looks like more than bad timing. It looks like pride.

Fourth: The Brothers' Hatred 4, 8 & 11

Hold onto this phrase until later in the story but for now, the phrase, *"...but his father kept the saying in mind,"* reminds us of

Luke 2:18 - But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.

How else did Mary endure the cross? How else will Jacob endure the loss of Joseph?

How do we endure life except by taking on the same mindset these OT men and women possessed -

Hebrews 11:13 & 16 - These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth... ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

Fifth: The Selling of Joseph 12-28

a) Jacob sent Joseph to check on his brothers 12-17

(We get a sense of David, the youngest of Jesse's sons, being sent to check on his brothers also, and he, enduring the same reception...and of Jesus, whose brothers (Israel) rejected him.

Joseph's journey was about 10-15 miles west of Shechem to Dothan. Centuries later, this is where Elisha was surrounded by an angelic army (2 kings 6:13-17).

b) Minus Reuben, the remaining brothers conspire to murder Joseph 18-24

Don't miss Reuben's, the oldest son's intervention – 21-22

Why is this important? For two reasons, one to be shared now and one later in the series.

In Gen 35:22, Reuben was intimate with Bilhah, one of Jacob's concubines and his father never forgot it.

Genesis 49:3-4 - Reuben, you are my firstborn, my might, and the firstfruits of my strength, preeminent in dignity and preeminent in power. ⁴ Unstable as water, you shall not have preeminence, because you went up to your father's bed; then you defiled it—he went up to my couch!

But we know that Reuben's life is not defined by that sin.

23-25 – Nonetheless, in a scene later to be replicated at the cross, the brothers strip Joseph of his robe and sat down to eat while he lay in a pit.

"A physicist could compute the exact time required for his cries to go twenty-five yards to the eardrums of the brothers. But it took twenty-two years for that cry to go from the eardrums to their hearts."

– Donald J. Barnhouse

Sadly, it isn't the last time Joseph will be in a pit.

With Reuben offstage, the remaining brothers spot a caravan of Ishmaelites heading to Egypt and decide to sell Joseph into slavery.

c) Just like Jesus, Joseph was betrayed for silver 25-28

Don't miss Judah's nefarious leadership – 26-27

PS – Remember all of this as you contemplate your family's dysfunction.

And also, remember that none of this derails God's plan to exalt Joseph and, by him, save the Hebrew line that will produce Jesus. In fact, this is how God exalts Joseph and saves Israel so that Jesus will be born.

Sixth: The 'Death' of Joseph 29-36

- a) The betrayal (you have already seen)
- b) The deception 31-33
- c) Jacob's mourning 34-35

Wait. Remember vs 11b – "...but his father kept the saying in mind."

How easily, it seems, the world can rob us of Jesus's words, even presence.

Vs. 34-35 are difficult verses for me as a father who has lost a son. I want to remind Jacob of God's dream for Joseph in the same way I want to remind you that God has the final word on life, death, and forever.

*How tedious and tasteless the hours
When Jesus no longer I see!
Sweet prospects, sweet birds, and sweet flowers,
Have all lost their sweetness to me;
The midsummer sun shines but dim,
The fields strive in vain to look gay;
But when I am happy in Him,
December's as pleasant as May.*

*His name yields the richest perfume,
And sweeter than music His voice;
His presence disperses my gloom,
And makes all within me rejoice;
I should, were He always thus nigh,
Have nothing to wish or to fear;
No mortal so happy as I,
My summer would last all the year.*

*Content with beholding His face,
My all to His pleasure resigned,
No changes of seasons or place
Would make any change in my mind:
While blest with a sense of His love,
A palace a toy would appear;
And prisons would palaces prove,
If Jesus would dwell with me there.*

*Dear Lord, if indeed I am Thine,
 If Thou art my sun and my song,
 Say, why do I languish and pine,
 And why are my winters so long?
 O drive these dark clouds from my sky,
 Thy soul-cheering presence restore;
 Or take me to Thee upon high,
 Where winter and clouds are no more.*
 - John Newton

Do not let temporal sorrow rob you of your eternal joy.

John 14:1 - *Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.*

d) Jacob and Potiphar 36

Thank God for the last verse in chapter 37. The story is not finished.

Egypt was a thriving kingdom and the world's granary before Joseph arrived there. The Sphinx and some of the pyramids had already been built.

But for all its glory, the most important thing about the most important country in the world at that time was that a single Hebrew boy lived there.

Seventh: Three Differences Between Joseph and Jesus

- a) Joseph's pride threw him into the pit. Jesus's humility put him there (Mt 26:53)
- b) Joseph's brothers orchestrated his suffering, Jesus's Father planned his suffering (Acts 2:23).
- c) Joseph went into slavery unwillingly. Jesus, willingly.

Application:

Philippians 2:5-8 - *Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

Hebrews 13:12-13 - *So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. ¹³ Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.*

Is your mindset on the palace or on the pit, in comfort, or on the cross?

Conclusion:

- If Joseph's brothers never sold him as a slave, he would never have gone to Egypt.
- If Joseph never went to Egypt, he would never have been sold to Potiphar.
- If Joseph was never sold to Potiphar, Potiphar's wife would never have falsely accused him of a crime.
- If Potiphar's wife had never falsely accused Joseph of wrongdoing, then Joseph would never have been put in prison.
- If Joseph was never put in prison, he would have never met the baker and butler of Pharaoh.
- If Joseph never met the baker and butler of Pharaoh, he would have never interpreted their dreams.
- If Joseph never interpreted their dreams, he would have never interpreted Pharaoh's dream.
- If Joseph never interpreted Pharaoh's dream, he would never have become prime minister, second in Egypt only to Pharaoh.
- If Joseph had never become prime minister, he would never have saved Egypt from the terrible famine to come.
- If Joseph had not saved Egypt, then his family back in Canaan would have died in the famine.
- If Joseph's family back in Canaan died in the famine, Jesus's ancestral line would have ended.
- If Jesus's ancestral line had ended, we would all be dead in our sins and without hope in this world.

Thank God for the pit.

*God moves in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.*

*Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never failing skill;
He treasures up his bright designs,
And works His sovereign will.*

*Ye fearful saints fresh courage take,
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.*

*Judge not the LORD by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence,
He hides a smiling face.*

*His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding ev'ry hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flow'r.*

*Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.*

- William Cowper

If you want someone to pray with you about your 'pit,'

Community Groups:

- 1 – Read the text
- 2 – How does the OT conceal the NT, and the NT reveal the OT?
- 3 – What potential pride does Joseph exhibit early in life?
- 4 – Why did God choose to give Joseph these dreams at such an early age?
- 5 – Should Joseph have kept God's revelation to himself for the sake of peace and humility, or did he do well to declare it to his family? What does your answer say to you personally?
- 6 – How did Jacob's favor toward Joseph hurt him with his brothers?
- 7 – Why were the brothers jealous about Jacob's dream?

- 8 – Read Hebrews 11:13-16. What mindset enabled the OT saints to endure hardship?
- 9 – Read Hebrews 13:12-14. How should we view life?
- 10 – Who promoted the wrongdoing against Joseph? Why do you think?
- 11 – Who protested the wrongdoing against Joseph? Why do you think?
- 12 – Read James 1:15. How could the brothers have stopped their desire before it led to sin?
- 13 – Read Job 12:12-17. Judah presents an alternative to killing Joseph that seems to benefit everybody but was really selfishness and deceit. Sin always presents itself as an alternative, but inevitably leads to regret. Why do we fall for its lies? How do we, like Judah, justify sin in our own lives?
- 14 – Why did the brothers make it look like Joseph died?
- 15 – How did Jacob respond to the news about Joseph?
- 16 – Does it seem like this ‘unholy’ family can be the channel for God blessing the world? How might this give you hope for your family?

Daily Devotion:

Mon the 6th. Read Gen 37:3, Ro 5:20b & 2 Cor 5:17. There are no perfect parents or children. How has your parenting or growing up not reflected the Gospel? But the cross separates us from our past and present, and grace makes us new people. What about your past parenting or growing up is thwarting your present, unforgiveness, trauma? How does applying the Gospel change that? Take the time to memorize Ro 5:20b & 2 Cor 5:17 and ask the Holy Spirit to make those truths come alive in your heart.

Tues the 7th. Read Gen 37:5-11 & James 4:1-10. How did Joseph’s pride instigate his own undoing? His road to humility has many pits in it. But grace and faith displace pride. Pride rests in me. Humility rests in Jesus. Take a hard look at yourself. How/where are you proud? Why should we be humble? James presents pride vs humility as ‘double-mindedness.’ Which wins the majority of your day: pride or humility? Why does drawing near to God create humility? How, then, according to James, can you become humble? Invest today in meditating on this passage in James.

Wed the 8th. Read Gen 37:18-28 & . Matt 13:44-46. Jealousy is a fruit of the flesh (Gal 5:21), an antonym of love (1 Cor 13:4), a symptom of pride (1 Tim 6:4), a catalyst for conflict (Ja 3:16), and a mark of unbelievers (Ro 1:29). Why were Joseph’s brothers jealous of him? Of whom are you jealous? Of what are you covetous? How is j/c idol worship? How is it thoughtless ungratefulness? What does j/c say about your heart? What does it say about the place of Jesus in your life? Do you treasure Jesus like the Matt parables? How might ‘seeing’ him, replace any j/c in your heart? Ask the Holy Spirit to let you see him like this, repent of j/c and read the Bible looking for Jesus.

Thurs, the 9th. Read Gen 37:11b & 34-35 & Ro 8:1 & 35-38. It seems that Jacob's heartache tore God's dream for Joseph from Jacob's heart. It seems he forgot all about it. What certain promises has God made you in Ro 8? Do you believe them? What person, event, feeling, tears God's promises from your heart? Take time today to memorize some parts of the Romans passage. What other promises are you prone to doubt? Find a text to counter your doubt and commit it to memory and meditation.

Fri, the 10th. Read Gen 37:36, Phil 1:6 & 1 Ptr 1:6-9. The end of the chapter isn't the end...for Joseph, his father, or his brothers, is it? What Bible text or story best illustrates God's sovereignty and providence to you? Review it in your heart. How might believing it give you rest, peace, and joy during heartbreak? Bottom line: According to Peter, it is these moments that reveal our true faith. Let this truth change your mind about trials. See them as God's furnace to test your faith, grow your love, and fill you with joy that cannot be stolen. Apply these 3 texts to your present sorrow.

Joseph as a Type of Jesus		
1.	Joseph was a shepherd – Gen 37:2	Jesus was the Shepherd – John 10:11
2.	Joseph was the beloved son of his father – Gen 37:3	Jesus was God's beloved Son – Matt 3:17
3.	Joseph was hated for his words – Gen 37:4	Jesus was hated for his words – John 15:25;17:14
4.	Joseph testified what he saw and heard from God in dreams – Gen 37:5	Jesus testified what he saw and heard from God – John 3:32; John 8:26
5.	Joseph prophesied about his future reign – Gen 37:7	Jesus prophesied about his future reign – Matt 19:28
6.	It was prophesied Joseph's brothers would bow down to him – Gen 37:7	It was prophesied all would bow down to the Lord Jesus Christ – Isa 45:23
7.	Joseph was mocked for saying he would rule over Israel's sons – Gen 37:8	They mocked Jesus as the King of the Jews – Luke 23:36-37; Matt 27:29

8.	He would rule over the sun and moon – Gen 37:9	Jesus is the Lord of heaven and earth – Matt 28:18
9.	Joseph(the son) would be greater than his father who would bow to him – Gen 37:10	David would call his son (Messiah) 'Lord' – Matt 22:45
10.	Joseph was envied by men who tried to kill him – Gen 37:11	Jesus was envied by men who tried to kill him – Matt 27:18
11.	Jacob sent Joseph to the sons of Israel who were watching their flock – Gen 37:14	God sent his Son to the lost sheep of the house of Israel – Matt 15:24
12.	When Joseph went to his brothers they had departed out of the way – Gen 37:15-17	When Jesus came to Israel, they had gone astray – Matt 9:36 ; 18:12 ; Isa 53:6
13.	When Joseph came to his brethren they received him not – Gen 37:18	When Jesus came to his own, his own received him not – John 1:12
14.	His sons of Israel conspired to kill him – Gen 37:18-20	The rulers of Israel conspired to kill Jesus – John 11:53
15.	Joseph had a special coat that was taken by his captors – Gen 37:3,23	Jesus had a special coat that was taken by his captors – John 19:23 ; Matt 27:28
16.	His brothers sat and watched him as he suffered – Gen 37:25	Men sat and watched as he suffered – Matt 27:36
17.	A man named Judah conspired to sell Joseph – Gen 37:26-27	A man named Judas conspired to sell Jesus – Luke 22:4-5
18.	Joseph was sold for silver (20 pieces) – Gen 37:28	Jesus was sold for silver (30 pieces) – Matt 26:15
19.	Joseph suffered for the sins of Israel's sons – Gen 37:28	Jesus suffered for the sins of Israel's sons – Isa 53:3-5

20.	The father saw Joseph's blood when his sons offered the blood of an animal – Gen 37:31-33	God the Father saw the blood of Christ when Israel offered the blood of bulls and goats – Heb 9:12-14
21.	Joseph went to Egypt – Gen 37:36	Jesus went to Egypt – Matt 2:14-15
22.	The LORD was with Joseph – Gen 39:2	The Word was with God; God was in Christ – John 1:1 ; Matt 1:23 ; 2 Cor 5:19
23.	Joseph became an obedient servant – Gen 39:4	Christ Jesus became an obedient servant – Phil 2:7-8
24.	Men were blessed for Joseph's sake – Gen 39:5	Men are blessed for Jesus' sake – Eph 1:3 ; Eph 4:32
25.	Joseph grew in favor with God and men – Gen 39:6	Jesus grew in favor with God and men – Luke 2:52
26.	Joseph resisted temptation – Gen 39:7-9	Jesus resisted temptation – Matt 4:3-9
27.	Joseph gave no answer when he was accused – Gen 39:18-19	Jesus gave no answer when he was accused – Matt 27:12 ; Mark 15:3 ; Isa 53:7
28.	Sins Joseph did not commit were imputed to him – Gen 39:19-20	Sins Jesus did not commit were imputed to him – Luke 23:14-15 ; 2 Cor 5:21
29.	Joseph went to prison – Gen 39:20	Jesus went to prison – 1 Pet 3:19 ; Isa 53:8
30.	Joseph was given authority over those in prison – Gen 39:22-23	Jesus was given the keys of death and hell – Rev 1:18
31.	Joseph was numbered among two transgressors – Gen 40:1-3	Jesus was numbered among two transgressors – Isa 53:12 ; Mark 15:28

32.	Joseph explains the meaning of the bread and the cup in dreams – Gen 40:11-13 ; Gen 40:16-19	Jesus explains the meaning of the bread and the cup in the Passover – Luke 22:17-19
33.	One transgressor with Joseph was blessed and the other was cursed – Gen 40:20-21	One transgressor with Jesus was blessed and the other was cursed – Luke 23:39-43
34.	The cursed hanged on a tree – Gen 40:19	Jesus was made a curse for us hanged on a tree – Gal 3:13
35.	After three days the blessed was lifted up and exalted – Gen 40:13	After three days Jesus resurrected and was highly exalted – Luke 24:46 ; Phil 2:9
36.	The blessed butler was restored to his prior glory with Pharaoh – Gen 40:21	Jesus was restored to his prior glory with God in heaven – John 17:5
37.	Joseph gives glory to God not himself for his judgment – Gen 41:16	Jesus gives glory to God and not himself for his judgment – John 5:30
38.	Joseph prophecies of a coming tribulation followed by a time of plenty – Gen 41:27-31	Jesus prophecies of a coming tribulation followed by the kingdom – Matt 24:21 ; Mark 1:14
39.	After Joseph's miraculous interpretation many believe – Gen 41:37	After Jesus performs miracles many believe – John 2:23
40.	After hearing Joseph, Pharaoh stops looking for a man, "Can we find such a one as this?" – Gen 41:33 ; Gen 41:38	After hearing Jesus many stop looking for a Messiah – John 6:68 ; John 7:31
41.	It is witnessed that Joseph had the Spirit of God – Gen 41:38	It was witnessed that Jesus had the Spirit of God – John 1:32
42.	There was none so discreet and wise as Joseph – Gen 41:39	There was none so discreet and wise as Jesus – Matt 12:42

43.	Joseph ruled over a house – Gen 41:40	Christ ruled over a house – Heb 3:6
44.	Pharaoh makes Joseph ruler over all – Gen 41:40-41	Christ is given all power in heaven and earth, far above all principality and power – Matt 28:18 ; Eph 1:21
45.	Joseph will rule by his word – Gen 41:40	Christ will rule by his word – John 12:48
46.	Joseph is equal to Pharaoh, except in position – Gen 41:40	Jesus is equal to God, He and the Father are one, except in position – Phil 2:6 ; John 10:30
47.	Joseph receives new royal clothes with golden accessories – Gen 41:42	Christ receives new royal clothes with gold accessories – Rev 1:13
48.	All bowed their knee to Joseph – Gen 41:43	Every knee will bow to the Lord Jesus Christ – Phil 2:10
49.	Without Joseph they could do nothing – Gen 41:44	Without Christ they could do nothing – John 15:5
50.	Joseph is a revealer of secret things from God – Gen 41:15-16, 45	Jesus is a revealer of the secret things of God – Matt 13:35
51.	Joseph began his work for Pharaoh when he was thirty years old – Gen 41:46	Jesus began his ministry at thirty years old – Luke 3:23
52.	Joseph provided bread for the nation of Egypt – Gen 41:54	Jesus provided bread for the nation of Israel – Matt 15:32-37
53.	When people hungered Pharaoh said, "Go unto Joseph; what he saith to you, do." – Gen 41:55	When people thirsted Mary said about Jesus, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." – John 2:5
54.	All nations came to Joseph in Egypt for provision – Gen 41:57	All nations will come to Jesus in Israel for provision – Isa 2:2 ; Zech 8:23 ; Rev 22:2

55.	Joseph knew men – Gen 42:7	Jesus knew men – John 2:24
56.	Joseph does not reveal himself to them until they mourn for him – Gen 42:7	Jesus will not reveal himself to them as King until they mourn for him – Zech 12:10
57.	Israel must retrieve Benjamin (the son of sorrow) to receive life – Gen 42:15	Israel must receive the Man of Sorrows to receive life – Isa 53:3 ; John 14:6
58.	The sons of Israel were guilty of Joseph's blood – Gen 42:21-22	Israel was guilty of Christ's blood – Matt 27:24
59.	Joseph wept for the sons of Israel – Gen 42:24	Jesus wept for sons of Israel – John 11:35 ; Luke 19:41
60.	Joseph provides for their journey – Gen 42:25	Jesus provided for their journey – Luke 9:3 ; Matt 6:33
61.	Jacob experiences a time of trouble with the remnant of his sons – Gen 42:36-38	The remnant of Israel goes through a time called Jacob's trouble – Jer 30:7
62.	They cannot go to the kingdom of the Lord without Benjamin – Gen 43:3-5	Israel will not see the kingdom without Jesus Christ – Matt 21:43
63.	Judah is surety for a better promise to Jacob – Gen 43:9	Jesus is the surety of a better testament to Israel – Heb 7:22
64.	Joseph prepares a place for them when he sees them coming back – Gen 43:16	The father prepares a place for the prodigal son when he returns – Luke 15:11-23
65.	Joseph gives the last brother more blessing than the first – Gen 43:34	Jesus taught the first will be last, and the last will be first – Matt 20:16
66.	Judah takes responsibility for the cup of Joseph for his brother – Gen 44:16	Jesus takes responsibility for the cup of the Lord for the sake of his brothers – Matt 26:42

67.	Judah substitutes himself for the sons of Israel – Gen 44:33	Jesus substitutes himself for all – Matt 20:28
68.	Joseph's brothers were afraid when he revealed himself alive – Gen 45:3	The disciples were afraid when Jesus revealed himself alive – Luke 24:37
69.	Joseph was sent from God to save the world and Israel – Gen 45:5-7 ; Psa 105:17	Jesus was sent from God to save the world and Israel – John 3:16-17
70.	Joseph sends the sons of Israel to witness his glory, salvation, and kingdom – Gen 45:9-13	Jesus sends his disciples to Jacob to witness his glory, salvation, and coming kingdom – Matt 28:19-20 ; Acts 1:3
71.	Joseph tells Israel not to regard their stuff when they come – Gen 45:20	Jesus tells the remnant of Israel not to regard their stuff in the kingdom – Matt 6:25-32
72.	The sons of Israel preach to Jacob "Joseph is alive!" – Gen 45:26	The twelve disciples preach to Israel, "Jesus is alive!" – Acts 2:32
73.	When Jacob first hears he believes not – Gen 45:26	When the twelve first hear Jesus is alive they believe not – Lk 24:41
74.	Jacob's spirit revives after hearing the words of Joseph and saw the wagons – Gen 45:27	Israel receives life when they hear the gospel and see the Spirit working in the apostles – Acts 2:38-41
75.	Joseph provides what they need from Pharaoh to bring Jacob to him – Gen 46:5	Jesus sends the Spirit to the twelve disciples to bring Israel to Christ – Acts 1:7-8
76.	Joseph is believed to be alive after thought to be dead – Gen 45:28	Jesus is believed to be alive after being dead – Acts 25:19
77.	Jacob is brought to the land of Goshen by the wagons of Pharaoh – Gen 46:5	Israel is brought back to their promised land by the Gentiles – Isa 60:9

78.	Pharaoh gives Israel the best of the land – <u>Gen 47:6</u>	Israel will eat the riches of the Gentiles – <u>Isa 61:6</u>
79.	Men come to Joseph for the bread of life – <u>Gen 47:15</u>	Jesus is the bread of life – <u>John 6:35</u>
80.	Joseph was a saviour of men – <u>Gen 47:25</u>	Jesus is the Saviour of all men – <u>Luke 2:11</u>
81.	Joseph purchases dying men to save them – <u>Gen 47:23-25</u>	Jesus bought people with a price – <u>1 Pet 1:18-19</u>
82.	Joseph brought grace to men – <u>Gen 47:25</u>	Grace came by Jesus Christ – <u>John 1:17</u>
83.	Joseph lived with Israel 34 years – <u>Gen 37:2; Gen 47:28</u>	Jesus lived with Israel into his 34th year (count the Passover feasts) – <u>Luke 3:23</u>
84.	Israel receives strength when Joseph comes to him while he is dying – <u>Gen 48:2</u>	Israel will revive when Christ returns to them when dead – <u>John 11:24-25</u>
85.	Joseph is called a fruitful branch – <u>Gen 49:22</u>	Jesus is the righteous Branch, and fruitful vine – <u>Jer 23:5; John 15:1</u>
86.	Joseph is called the stone of Israel – <u>Gen 49:24</u>	Jesus is the stone of stumbling and Israel's rock of offence – <u>1 Pet 2:4-8; 1 Cor 10:4</u>
87.	Joseph embalms Israel – <u>Gen 50:2</u>	Jesus preserves Israel – <u>Jude 1:1; Isa 49:6</u>
88.	Joseph enters the land the first time in mourning, and the next time in conquering – <u>Gen 50:10-11; Josh 24:32</u>	Jesus comes to Israel the first time in suffering, but will come again to conquer – <u>Luke 24:46; Rev 19:11</u>
89.	The sons of Israel confess their sins for forgiveness – <u>Gen 50:17</u>	Israel must confess their sins for forgiveness – <u>Lev 26:40; 1 John 1:7</u>

90.	Israel receives forgiveness through the promise to their father – Gen 50:17	Israel receives forgiveness through the promises to the fathers – Rom 11:27
91.	Joseph told his brethren to fear not – Gen 50:19	Jesus told his disciples to fear not – Matt 17:7 ; Matt 28:10
92.	Joseph forgave his brethren that wronged him – Gen 50:19	Jesus forgave those that wronged him – Luke 23:34
93.	His brothers thought evil against Joseph, but God meant it unto good – Gen 50:20	Israel thought to do evil to Jesus, but God meant it unto good – Acts 2:23-24 ; 1 Pet 1:3
94.	Joseph promised comfort and nourishment to his brothers – Gen 50:21	Jesus promised the Comforter to the disciples – John 15:26
95.	Joseph died with a rich man's tomb – Gen 50:26	Jesus died with a rich man's tomb – Matt 27:57-60
96.	Joseph's bones are not found where he died – Gen 50:25 ; Exo 13:19	The bones of Jesus are not found where he died (or was buried) – Matt 28:6