

# GENESIS

43:15-45:8

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## TITLE

OF THE MESSAGE:

**“ A Dream Come True ”**

## THEME:

***The Dream Fulfilled***

In the life of Joseph

## INTRODUCTION;

**Last week we ended with God’s perspective of who we are... Really!**

Jeremiah 29:11 KJV

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil,  
to give you a future and a hope

**Thoughts, More than the sands of the sea**

## What an Interesting Thought

- There are those who *think they know who we are.*
- Then there’s us, who are *trying to forget who we are*
- Then there’s GOD, *who knows exactly who we are*

## The Hide & Seek Story

It’s like the little boy, who said “lets play hide and seek daddy” and stood in front of his father and covered his eye’s and said “now, try to find me”

Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. <sup>13</sup> And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

✓ *God knows what's in the heart of man.*

✓ *He knows what is in the heart of Joseph's brothers*

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The brothers loaded down with presents for Joseph *including Benjamin.*

Enter,  
The second visit of his eleven brothers

Verse 15-23

Verse 23

The steward attributed the money being put back in their sacks by the "intervention" of God upon through Joseph.

Verse 24-31

Joseph uses two approaches to bring about confession

Approach... Number One

*The feast at Table, Giving Benjamin 5 times as much*

Romans 2:4

Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

Verse 32-34

Verse 34

Luke 22:25-27

And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called `benefactors. <sup>26</sup> "But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves. <sup>27</sup> "For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves.

## Chapter 44

Verse 1-3

### Approach... Number Two

Filling their sacks again;

**Heightening** *their guilt, while reminding them that God was with them as said the steward earlier to them.*

Verse 4-6

We're not thieves, We're murderers, But not thieves

Verse 7-9

This time they bow,  
but in brokenness and helplessness

## Verse 10-13

### The Signs of Spiritual Life ( *They didn't turn on Ben* )

## Verse 14-16

### The Test.

would they repeat their sin with Benjamin?  
Judah's confession is that... if Benjamin is guilty,

**Then we are all guilty**

## Verse 16

## Verse 17-34

Judah stands before the one and only ruler of the world who has the power to take his life or spare it and he "trembles" in his presence - **It's a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.**

Try Judah as you will. You can never become surety for yourself or for another.

**Romans 3:23**

**for all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.**

**Romans 3:12**

**They have all turned aside; they have together become unprofitable; there is none who does good, no, not one."**

### Any and Every Attempt Fails

**Isaiah 64:6**

**But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.**

## Joseph is their Saviour

**Hebrews 7:22**

**by so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant.**

**Surety**

*GRK egguos (eng'-goo-os)  
a limb, a member. to give of oneself.*

**1 Timothy 2:5**

**For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men,  
the Man Christ Jesus,**

Listen,  
As long as Jesus Christ is alive,  
we can never be condemned !

**Hebrews 7:25 KJV**

**Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing  
He FOREVER LIVES to make intercession for them.**

## Chapter 45

**Verse 1-7**

The Time Has Come For Joseph To Reveal Himself To His People

Steven's sermon

**Acts 7:12-13**

**But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first. <sup>13</sup> And the second time Joseph was made known to his brothers, and Joseph's family became known to the Pharaoh.**

Israel has made it a habit of theirs to reject God's servants sent to them. Only after the second coming of the servant will they receive them. i.e.: Moses, John the Baptist and Jesus Himself.

There were SEVEN YEARS of famine, two down, five left and it was during that time the his people came to know him.

He assures them of a place of refuge from the remaining 5 years of wrath.

Remember.

This is still the **Time of Jacobs Trouble**

**Zechariah 12:10**

**Then they will look on Me whom they have pierced; they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.**

**Zechariah 13:6**

**And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.**

**Paul tells us that God has not forsaken Israel**

During the seven-year tribulation period God will be looking for

**Hosea 5:14-15, 6:1-2**

**For I will be like a lion to Ephraim, and like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, even I, will tear them and go away; I will take them away, and no one shall rescue. <sup>15</sup> I will return again to My place till they acknowledge their offense. Then they will seek My face; in their affliction they will earnestly seek Me... <sup>6:1</sup> Come, and let us return to the LORD; for He has torn, but He will heal us; he has stricken, but He will bind us up. <sup>2</sup> After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live in His sight.**

**Matthew 23:39**

**"for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, `Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'"**

# Take Comfort In This

**Psalm 138:8**

**The LORD will perfect that which concerns me; your mercy, O LORD, endures forever; do not forsake the works of Your hands.**

**Philippians 1:6**

**being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;**