

GENESIS

46:1-47:31

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TITLE

OF THE MESSAGE:

“ Israel in the World ”

THEME:

The Dream Fulfilled

In the life of Joseph

INTRODUCTION;

When Nations are born and its peoples *are gathered together, the beginnings are seemingly small and insignificant. There are languages and territories to establish. The structure of its government as well as the careful preservation of its national treasure, which is, whatever, that nation trusts in as its rallying point, becomes that nation's foundation. and it's that foundation that supports its very existence, and its hopes for tomorrow.*

Israel was born and founded upon God. *A nation that was to govern the world as the mediator between God and the nations.*

America was born and founded upon God. *A nation that was to point the world back to God, a nation that had at its focal point, the Bible and the Holy Trinity and men who reverend God more than anything else.*

USA Today

The world is rejoicing with South Africa because of its freedoms.

The world is in expectancy for this “New World Order” arising out of Europe

All these efforts will fail *and are doomed to failure because God is not the foundation which rallies it's people.*

America in convulsions;

- 1.) *How does America manage its **freedoms** (it gives them away)*
- 2.) *How does America handle its **wealth** (by self-living, debt)*
- 3.) *How does America handle its **justice** (by releasing the guilty)*
- 4.) *How does America honor its **heritage** (by turning it back)*
- 5.) *How does America seek for **change** (it votes immorality into office, and it votes for our new god... the hole Dollar)*

It's time for us to fight like we've never fought before,
It's time for us to cry out like never before,
It's time to do what just a brave few are doing...

PRAY

2 Chronicles 7:14

if My people who are called by My name will **humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways**, then I will hear from heaven, and will **forgive their sin and heal their land.**

God not only has put us in the world, but he expects us, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to change the world by changing the lives of those lost in the world by His Word and Prayer.

Upon the News of Verses 27&28

Verse 1

Beersheba, the last altar before entering the land of Egypt. Jacob's childhood home with father Isaac

A.) The Lord's Leading in our lives

vv.: 1-7

1.) *Promptings to the heart by God*

Psalm 37:4

Delight yourself also in the LORD, and He shall give you the desires of your heart.

Delight

HEB anag (aw-nag')

to be soft or pliable, to be feminine or luxurious in the arms of a lover.

2. *Does it glorify Jesus, scriptural base*

1 Corinthians 10:31

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the **glory** of God.

Glory

GRK doxa (dox'-ah)

to his dignity, his honor, his praise, his worship.

3. *Move with eyes open & heart up in prayer*

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ In all your ways **acknowledge** Him, and He shall direct your paths.

Acknowledge

HEB yada (yaw-dah')

*ascertain by site, to declare, to discern,
to discover Him there*

4.) *Look for Him in the middle of it all*

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Direct

HEB yashar (yaw-shar')

to make straight, pleasant, prosperous or fruitful

(If He doesn't show up, shut it down... Let it die !!!)

Verse 2-4

Jacob had not heard from

the Lord in years. Until a challenge came into his life which was;

- *uncomfortable - he's got a lot of stuff*
- *untimely - starvation*
- *impractical - he's old*

Verse 2

- 1.) *Promptings to the heart by God* ✓
- 2.) *Does it glorify Jesus, scriptural base* ✓
- 3.) *Move with eyes open & heart up in prayer* ✓
- 4.) *Look for Him in the middle of it all* *HERE !*

Verse 3

Jacob feared going down to Egypt

- 1.) *Canaan was the promised land, why leave it ?*
- 2.) *The family tree tended to get blown over in its Egyptian wonderings*

Verse 4

**and I will also surely bring you up again,
and Joseph will close your eyes**

REMEMBER !!!

Genealogies are always a twist of the knife to Satan

Verses 8-15

33 descendants of Leah

Verses 16-18

16 descendants of Zilpah

Verse 19-22

14 descendants of Rachel

Verses 23-25

7 descendants of Bilhah

Verse 31-34

Interesting to note that Egypt is always a picture of the unsaved world in the Bible. Here we see that are very despised by the Egyptians.

The World and the Christian

Jesus said concerning his flock...

John 15:18-19

"If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

As Christians... We are not blown away by

- The latest earthquake,
- Or political scandal
- Or environmental news about global warming,

We have hope, we have peace, we have security.

And when they ask why, we tell them Jesus Christ and they jump into our arms and say "take me to your leader: - NOT

Jesus said concerning his flock...

John 17:14

I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

Matthew 10:36

... a man's enemies will be those of his own household.

A Prophet has honor everywhere he goes,
except when he goes to his own home.

“ Just say your prayers so we can eat...”

In the World,
The Shepard and His sheep are still despised

GENESIS
CHAPTER 47

Verse 13

Revelation 6:5-6

When He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come and see." So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. ⁶ And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, (a days wage for the average Roman) and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine."

Verse 28-31

The Hope of Resurrection ?

As Time was Given to Jacob, thoughts ran deep

The Millennial Hope

It is quite possible here that Jacob's desire to return to Canaan, once dead, is due to the fact that he trusted in the future hope of the resurrection of the saints and the millennial reign of Messiah

The Resurrection,

John 11:24

Martha said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection, at the last day."

Matthew 22:29-32

Jesus answered and said to them, "You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God. ³⁰ For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels of God in heaven. ³¹ But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying, ³² 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

Revelation 20:6

Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, (the resurrection of the damned) but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

John 5:28-29

Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice ²⁹ and come forth-- those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, (a 1,000 year comma) and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.