

Genesis 44: "Joseph - Forgive"

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Notes: 1. Introduction

- a. First dreams at age 17 - Gen 37:1-11
 - b. Col 3:13 Forebearing & forgiving
 - Father forgive them (Jesus) - Lk 23:34
 - c. Family 2nd trip into Egypt - Gen ch 43
 - brother Benjamin had 5 times more
1. Joseph tests his brothers - Gen chap 44
- a. Joseph sends his men after them
 - Joseph had money put in grain sacks mouths - Gen 44:1
 - He also put his personal silver cup in Benjamin's sack of grain
 - Joseph testing his brothers - Gen 44:22-5
 - b. Servants find Joseph's cup - Gen 44:16
 - Servants follow brothers & accuse them of stealing - Gen 44:5
 - Servants find cup - Gen 44:11-12
 - c. Joseph will keep Benjamin as slave
 - Judah spokesman for group - Gen 44:17-31
 - Judah offers to exchange himself in place of Benjamin - Gen. 44:32-33
 - d. Joseph asks servants to leave - Gen 45:1
2. Joseph reveals himself
- a. Joseph spoke to them privately
 - Gen 45:1-3
 - b. Brothers in shock - Gen 44:3

- 2.c. Joseph could see God's working
- Gen 45:5 God sent Joseph ahead
 - Gen 45:7-8 God has been working through human circumstances
- d. Joseph tells brothers to bring their father & their households down to Egypt - Gen 45:9-13
- e. Joseph forgives his brothers
- Gen 45:14-15
3. Joseph finally remembers his dreams
- a. Gen 42:6-9 Ten brothers first journey into Egypt
- they bow down to Joseph
 - He recognizes them
 - they don't know him
 - fulfillment of dream of wheat sheaves
- b. Gen 43:18-44:34 ~~Ten~~ Ten brothers second journey into Egypt
- they bowed down to Joseph 2nd time
x Gen 42:26
 - they still don't recognize him
 - Second time by brothers gent home
 - Joseph sends men after them with their accusations - Gen 44:11-13
 - this fulfilled 2nd dream of sun, moon, & 11 stars giving honor to him
- c. Joseph gives credit to God
- God sent Joseph ahead to Egypt
x Gen 45:5
 - God sent him to preserve & save lives - Gen 45:7-8
- d. God confirms Joseph's word to Israel
- God gives Jacob His direct word of confirmation - Gen 46:3-4
- e. After Jacob's death, 11 brothers bow down to Joseph again - Gen 50:18-21
- 10 brothers still afraid for their lives
x Gen 50:15
 - Joseph continues to see God's hand in the affairs of His people - Gen 50:20
 - x "God meant it to good..."
 - x Rom 8:28 "...all things work together for good..."