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Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study

Genesis 42 to 50

Review

Literary Period Covered: roughly 1950 B.C.E. to 1900 B.C.E.

Review and Introduction

- Joseph sold into slavery at 17 years of age
- It's been 20+ years since Joseph was sold into slavery
- Joseph has risen from slavery to become the second most powerful man in Egypt serving the Pharaoh
- Judah leaves home and has a parallel life in Chapter 38 (Parallel Narrative)
- Seven years of plenty have occurred

Lecture Segment

Famine in the Land



Scripture and Study

1. Joseph forgives his brothers despite their utter betrayal. Should forgiveness have limitations? What does this story tell us about forgiving our own betrayers?



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2. Joseph trusts that God will take care of everything, and ultimately, he's right. How does this influence the way we think about God's influence over our lives?
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Genesis Conclusion

- Genesis began "in the beginning God created the heavens and earth" - Birth
- Chapter 3 Sin enters the world. God said if you eat of the fruit of this tree you will surely die. And they died. – Sin and Death
 - Adam lived 930 years
 - Methuselah lived 969 years
 - Noah lived 950 years
- But the ages begin dwindling
 - Abraham lived 175 years
 - Issacs lived 180 years
 - Jacob lived 147 years
 - Joseph lived 110 years and "was placed in a coffin in Egypt."

Genesis begins with birth, sin and death enters the world and it ends in a coffin in Egypt

Creation, conflict and the plan of salvation

Birth and Death

Three stories emerge that lay the foundation for the rest of the Bible

Abraham and Isaac

Isaac and Jacob

Jacob and Joseph

In Genesis we have learned about the nature of literary writing that will assist us as we continue to read:

- Parallelism
- Inclusio
- Chiasmas
- Recapitulation
- Literary Gap
- Parallel Narrative



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Genesis is a perfectly framed narrative that has laid the foundation as we go deeper into the story.

Read Exodus 1 - 5

Encounter the Word Lecture Segment

As you read think reflect and answer the following questions:

1. What changed from the end of Genesis and the beginning of Exodus?

2. When the daughter of Pharaoh found Moses, what did Miriam suggest she could do?

3. How did God appear to Moses in the Midian desert?

4. When Moses first met with Pharaoh, what instructions did Pharaoh give to his taskmasters?

5. How old were Aaron and Moses when they met Pharaoh?

Aaron _____ years old

Moses _____ years old