

“Genesis 45–50”

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BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I gave a presentation titled “Genesis 45-50.” Here are some of the scriptures that I read.

Remembering some history

■ Genesis 42:7-8—When Joseph’s brothers traveled to Egypt to buy grain, Joseph recognized them, but they did not recognize him.

Joseph revealed himself to brothers

■ Genesis 45:1-2—After Joseph arranged for his steward to bring his brothers back to his house, Joseph made himself known to his brothers.

■ Genesis 45:3—When Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, the brothers were worried in his presence.

■ Genesis 45:4-5—Joseph told them to not be worried for selling him into slavery, because “God sent me before you to preserve life.”

■ Genesis 45:6—Although there had been famine for two years, there was going to be famine for five more years.

■ Genesis 45:7—Joseph said that God sent him to Egypt to save their lives.

■ Genesis 45:8—Joseph said that they did not send him to Egypt, but God did.

■ Genesis 45:9-13—Joseph said for them to tell their father what they had seen.

■ Genesis 45:14-15—Joseph showed affection toward Benjamin and the other brothers.

■ Genesis 45:16-20—Pharaoh extended an invitation for Joseph’s family to have the best of the land.

■ Genesis 45:21-24—Joseph gave them provisions for the journey to Canaan.

■ Genesis 45:25-28—Jacob was thrilled to hear that Joseph was alive.

Jacob traveled to Egypt

■ Genesis 46:1-28—Jacob traveled to Egypt.

■ Genesis 46:29-30—Joseph saw Jacob.

■ Genesis 46:31-34—Joseph instructed his family to stress that they were shepherds from their youth—because Egyptians considered shepherds to be an abomination.

Family arrived in Goshen

- Genesis 47:1-12—The family settled in Rameses.
- Genesis 47:13-14—Joseph sold the grain that had been collected and stored.
- Genesis 47:15-17—The people traded their animals for grain.
- Genesis 47:18-22—The people traded their freedom for grain.
- Genesis 47:23-26—Joseph gave them seed, and the people gave one fifth of their earnings to Pharaoh.
- Genesis 47:27-31—Jacob did not want to be buried in Egypt.

Jacob blessed his family

- Genesis 48:1-22—Jacob blessed Manasseh and Ephraim.
- Genesis 49:1-27—Jacob blessed his 12 sons.

Jacob died and was buried

- Genesis 49:28-33—Jacob gave instructions about his burial.
- Genesis 50:1-13—The sons buried Jacob.
- Genesis 50:14-18—After Jacob's death, Joseph's brothers were concerned that Joseph would get revenge against them.
- Genesis 50:19-23—Joseph reassured them.
- Genesis 50:24—Joseph told his brothers that God would bring them to the Promised Land.
- Genesis 50:25-26—Joseph died.

Israel needed deliverance

- Exodus 1:8—A new king arose in Egypt who did not have a history with Joseph.
- Exodus 1:9-14—The new king oppressed the children of Israel.
- Exodus 3:6-15—God promised to deliver the children of Israel.