



From Pit to Prison to Palace

Genesis 45:25-46:7; 50:15-21, Matthew 28:1-10: God Intended It for Good...

The Story of Joseph

- Joseph the dreamer (Gen 37:1-11)
- Running from sin (Gen 39:1-20)
- Successful But Forgotten (Gen 39:21-40:23)
- Joseph in Charge – The Great Reversal (Gen 41)
- A Story of Redemption – From Crisis to Compassion (Gen 42 – 45:15).

Genesis 45:26- 46:7

- Jacob was shocked at the news that Joseph was alive!
- “His heart became numb, for he did not believe them.” (vs 26). Compare with the disciples in Luke 24:11.
- They go down to Beersheba – “Well of the Seven” where Abraham called on the name of the Lord (Gen 21:33) and where God appeared to Isaac (Gen 26:24). Now God speaks to Jacob (Gen 46:3).
- Jacob makes Joseph promise to bury him in Canaan with his fathers (Gen 47:29-31).

Genesis 50:15-21

Key verse: “But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” (Genesis 50:19b-21).

Matthew 28:1-10

- **An Empty Cross**
Jesus’s atoning death was both forensic and futuristic.
People yearn to live for eternity (Ecclesiastes 3:11).
- **2) An Empty Tomb**
Jesus’ resurrection guarantees our eternal inheritance.
- Hebrews 2:14-15; Ephesians 1:19b-21.

Acts 3:13-15, 17-18.