REVIEW:

- 1 Joseph is sold into slavery by his brothers.
- 2 The Ishmaelites sell him to Egypt.
- 3 Joseph becomes captain of Potiphar's house.
- 4 Joseph is accused of assault and imprisoned.
- 5 Joseph becomes lead in Prison.
- 6 Joseph interprets dreams for Baker and Butler.
- 7 Pharoah has a dream, and Joseph is called by Pharoah to interpret the dream.
- 8 Joseph interprets the dream.

Genesis 41

- (37) So the advice was good in the eyes of Pharaoh and in the eyes of all his servants. (38) And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?"
- (39) Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is no one as discerning and wise as you. (40) You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the

throne will I be greater than you." (41) And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt." (42) Then Pharaoh took his signet ring off his hand and put it on Joseph's hand; and he clothed him in garments of fine linen and put a gold chain around his neck. (43) And he had him ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried out before him, "Bow the knee!" So he set him over all the land of Egypt.

Hebrews 1:6-9 And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the **angels of God worship him.**

- (7) And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.
- (8) <u>But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O</u>
 <u>God, is for ever and ever</u>: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. (9)
 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; <u>therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee</u> with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

- (44) Pharaoh also said to Joseph, "I am
 Pharaoh, and without your consent no man may
 lift his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt."
 (45) And Pharaoh called Joseph's name
 Zaphnath-Paaneah.
- A) The one to whom secrets is revealed. The one to whom hidden things are shown.

And he gave him as a wife Asenath, the daughter of Poti-Pherah priest of On.

A) Poti-Pherah was a high priest of the Sun God. It was told that Asenath was one of the most beautiful women in all of Egypt. To give Joseph a wife like that from a prominent person was showing the integration that Pharoah had for Joseph to be in Egypt. His wife would be the mother of Ephraim and Manasseh.

So Joseph went out over all the land of Egypt. (46) <u>Joseph was thirty years old when he stood</u> <u>before Pharaoh king of Egypt.</u>

- 17 years old sold to slavery.
- 28 years old in prison.

30 years old by the time he is second in command. - These similarities may line up with Christ ministry which began when he was 30 years old.

13 years from the time of captivity to second in command.

And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt. (47) Now in the seven plentiful years the ground brought forth abundantly. (48) So he gathered up all the food of the seven years which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities; he laid up in every city the food of the fields which surrounded them. (49) Joseph gathered very much grain, as the sand of the sea, until he stopped counting, for it was immeasurable. (50) And to Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, whom Asenath, the daughter of Poti-Pherah priest of On, bore to him. (51) Joseph called the name of the firstborn **Manasseh**: "For God has made me forget all my toil and all my father's house." (52) And the name of the

second he called **Ephraim:** "For God has caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction."

- A) Ephraim and Manasseh would be the two tribes integrated into Israel. ½ of each tribe to equal Joseph's 1 share.
- B) It is very easy to find ourselves to be intertwined with problems that we forget or even negate the promises of God. As if our problems and obstacles change God thoughts of us. Look at Joseph and what he endured and in all his problems still held to the promises of God. We read that prior to Joseph dying even in comfort, he knew God still held to His promise and said Genesis 50:24-25 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. (25) And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

- (53) Then the seven years of plenty which were in the land of Egypt ended, (54) and the seven years of famine began to come, as Joseph had said. The famine was in all lands, but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.
- (55) So, when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread. Then Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians, "Go to Joseph; whatever he says to you, do."
- (56) The famine was over all the face of the earth, and Joseph opened all the storehouses and sold to the Egyptians. And the famine became severe in the land of Egypt. (57) So all countries came to Joseph in Egypt to buy grain, because the famine was severe in all lands.

In conclusion,

There is an old proverb that says, God will kill an elephant to feed a mouse. What a great proverb reminding us that God will do over an abundantly for us. That His thoughts are for us. So, it was when he gave us His Son Jesus Christ to be the provider of salvation to all who call on Him.