

THE STUDY OF

GENESIS

"IN THE BEGINNING GOD CREATED
THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH."

Deathbed Blessings

Genesis 49

THE REDEMPTION STORY: FROM GENESIS TO JESUS

- The Bible is one beautiful story of Jesus and redemption (Ephesians 1:7-10)
- Scripture presents a purposeful narrative revealing God's redemptive plan (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Big Picture

- Redeemer/Seed Hunt Gen. 3:15; 12:1-3 (There is one Hero... Jesus)
- Past promises point to future faithfulness, different times - same Lord
- Continuity — From Abraham to Christ (Heb 11:13–16; Gal 3:29)

Catching Up

1. Joseph So Far...
2. Favored son with dreams (Gen. 37)
3. Betrayed by brothers/ Slave in Egypt
4. Falsely accused / imprisoned
5. God was with Joseph
6. Raised to ruler under Pharaoh (Gen. 41)
7. Brothers bow before him (Gen. 42)

Catching Up

8. Raised to ruler under Pharaoh (Gen. 41)

9. Brothers bow before him (Gen. 42)

10. Table Test/ Slavery Test (Gen. 43-44)

11. Forgiven, blessed, and called (Gen 45)

12. Reunited in Goshen (Gen. 46–47)

13. Death Bed Blessings (Gen. 48-49)

Big Idea

God's purpose does not rest on human strength.

It rests on sovereign grace that brings forth the King from Judah.

v1–7 Faith and Future

“in the last days.” ...

Many Sons → One King

Gifting ≠ godliness

NT echo: Hebrews 11:21

v8-28 “DiaTRIBES”

Reuben: Privilege without Purity
Produces Poverty (1 Tim. 3:1–7)

Simeon Wrath Wounds What Wisdom
Would Win

Levi: God Can Turn a Sword into a
Sanctuary

Judah: From Scandal to Scepter (Luke 22:31-32; Jam. 4:6; Rev. 5:5)

Zebulun: Prosperity through opportunity

Issachar: Comfort Can Become Captivity

Dan: Promise and Peril

Gad: Attacked but Not Abandoned

Asher: Blessed with abundance

Naphtali: Freedom Finds Its Voice

Joseph: Hated by Men, Held by God
(Jon. 15:4–5)

Benjamin: Fierce yet favored

v29-33 Pointed to the Promise

He wants burial in the land of promise.

His body is in Egypt, but his hope is in God's covenant.

He dies leaning on the promise of God.

NT echo: Hebrews 11:13–16, 21–22

Main Takeaway

Genesis 49 is not ultimately about twelve tribes.

It is about the King from Judah who reigns forever.

The hope of God's people has always rested in Jesus Christ.

1st Takeaway = Further Up and In

Your Past Does Not Have to Determine
Your Future or Identity, Not your Sin, but
Your Savior

2 Corinthians 5:17 - "Therefore, if anyone
is in Christ, he is a new creation; old
things have passed away; behold, all
things have become new."

Action: Read Ephesians this week

2nd Takeaway = Godliness > Gifting

"But the fruit of

Galatians 5:22-23 - "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control."

Action: Ask God what character He wants to cultivate in me.

3rd Takeaway = King > Tribe

Not Us and Them, but more of Him!

Revelation 5:5 - Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered.

Action: Fix your hope on Jesus this week and gladly submit every part of life to His rule.

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3. Joseph's brothers return to Egypt two more times to trade with Joseph. Each time he tests them, before finally revealing his true identity to them.

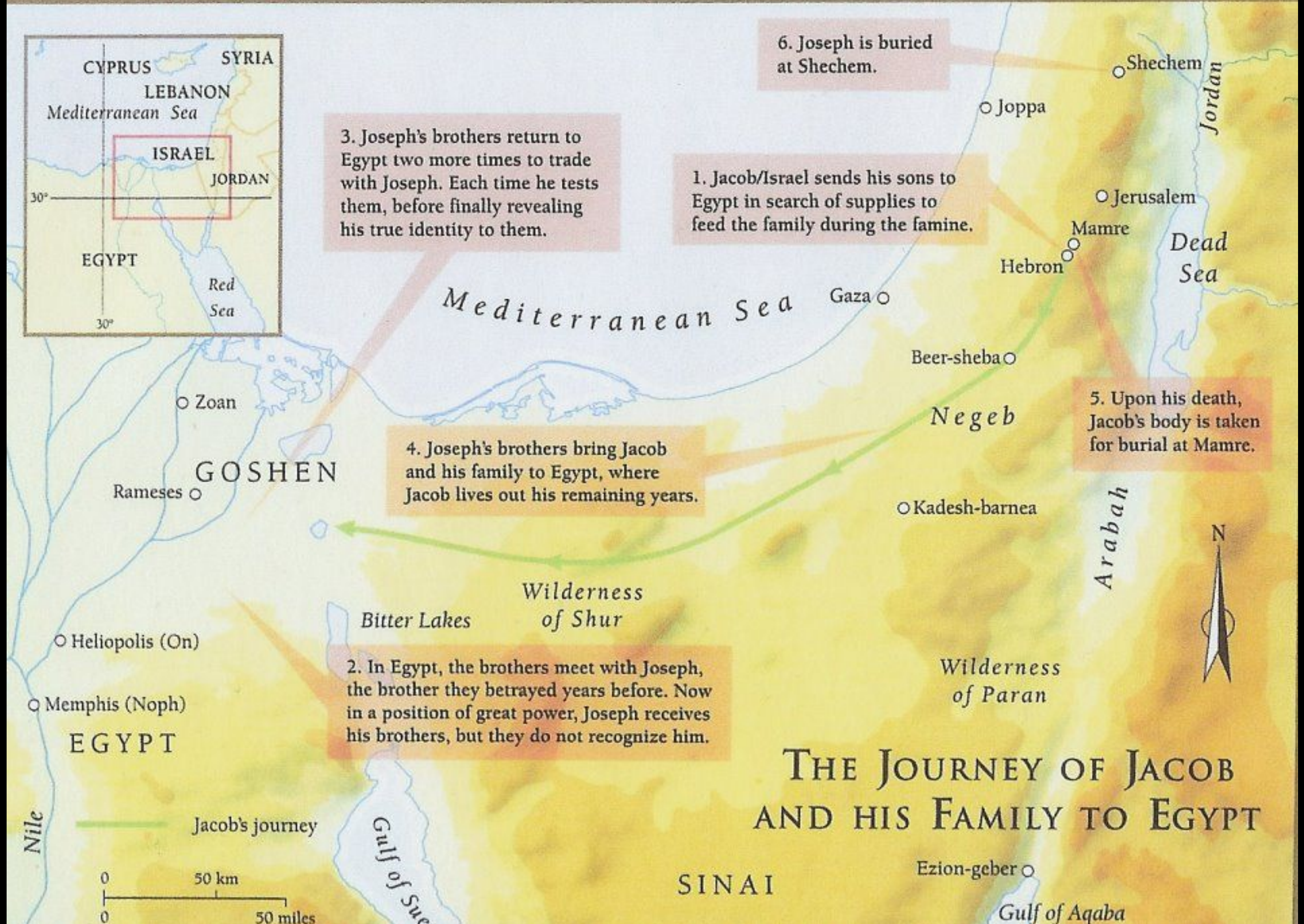
1. Jacob/Israel sends his sons to Egypt in search of supplies to feed the family during the famine.

6. Joseph is buried at Shechem.

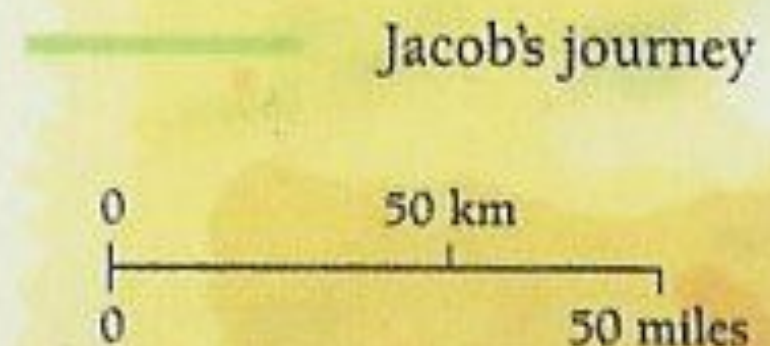
5. Upon his death, Jacob's body is taken for burial at Mamre.

4. Joseph's brothers bring Jacob and his family to Egypt, where Jacob lives out his remaining years.

2. In Egypt, the brothers meet with Joseph, the brother they betrayed years before. Now in a position of great power, Joseph receives his brothers, but they do not recognize him.



THE JOURNEY OF JACOB AND HIS FAMILY TO EGYPT



Joseph as a Typology of Jesus

1. Beloved Son = Matt. 3:17
2. Sent by the Father = John 6:38
3. Rejected by His Own = John 1:11
4. Betrayed for Silver = Matt. 26:14–15
5. Delivered to the Gentiles = Matt.
20:18–19
6. Stripped = Matt. 27:28, 35

7. Falsely Accused = Matt. 26:59–60
8. Numbered with Transgressors = Isa. 53:12;
Luke 23:32–33
9. One Saved, One Condemned = Luke
23:39–43
10. Exalted to the Right Hand of God = Acts
2:33; Heb. 1:3
11. Bread for the Nations = John 6:35
12. Forgave His Betrayers = Luke 23:34