

THE STUDY OF

GENESIS

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

The Greater Blessing

Genesis 48

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)



6. Joseph is buried at Shechem.

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

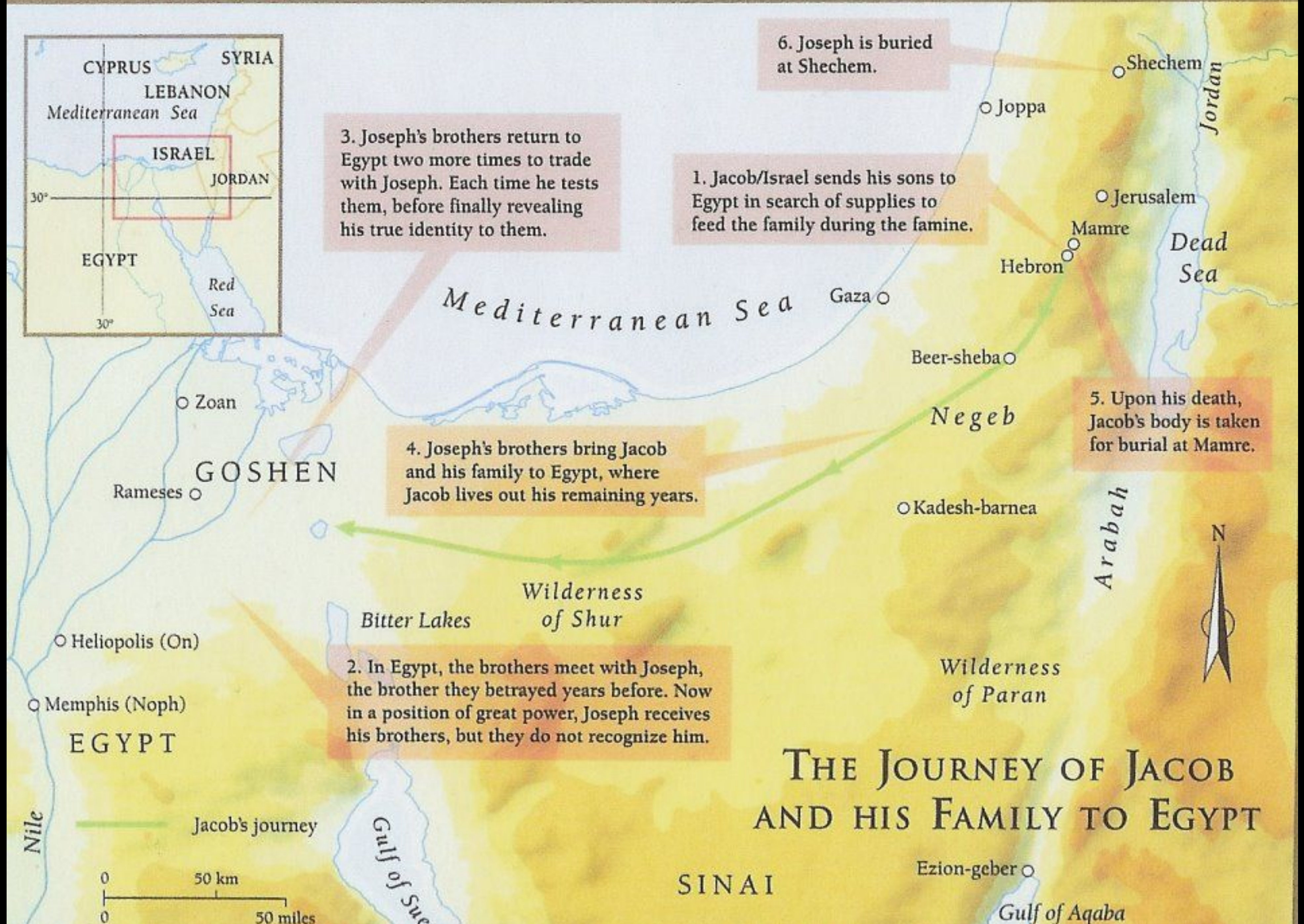
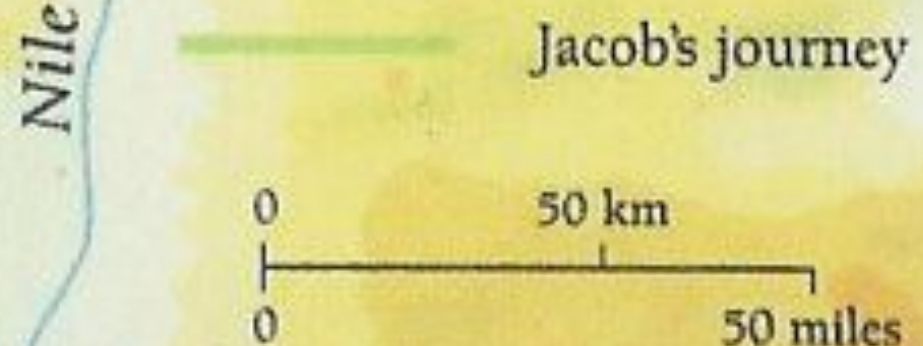
3. Joseph's brothers return to Egypt two more times to trade with Joseph. Each time he tests them, before finally revealing his true identity to them.

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



48:1–4 PROMISE OVER PRESSURE

Jacob begins with **El Shaddai**, not Egypt.

The dying patriarch anchors Joseph in the God who appeared, promised, and pledged the land.

God's promises do not depend on human panic.

5–14 GRACE OVER RANK

Ephraim and Manasseh are brought near and counted as Jacob's own.

Joseph arranges by birth order.

Jacob blesses by divine insight.

Grace does not follow rank, resume, or reputation.

5–14 GRACE BASED ADOPTION

Jn. 1:12–13; Rom. 8:15–17; Gal. 4:4–5:

In the kingdom of God:

the last are lifted, the lowly are loved,
and the lesser are often chosen.

1 Cor. 1:27–29

15–16 Recognize and Rest in God's Work and Goodness

“The God who has been my shepherd all my life long...” (Gen. 48:15) Jacob's life was painful, tangled, and tragic. Yet he looks back and sees providence, not accident. It's where rest meets obedience, not apathy or striving. Love based effort not earning.

17–22 ETERNITY OVER EGYPT

Joseph wants the expected order.

Then he lifts Joseph's eyes beyond Egypt and back to promise.

Egypt may feed you.

Only God can fulfill you.

Do not let present comfort cancel promised country.

1st Takeaway = Grace, Not Rank

God's blessing does not follow rank, talent, or position. **Be Adopted!**

1 Corinthians 1:27–29 - God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty.

Call to Action:

Stop comparing. Receive God's grace with humility this week.

2nd Takeaway = See His Goodness

Jacob's life was painful, but God was faithful through all of it.

Gen. 48:15; Psalm 23:1 ; John 10:11

Call to Action:

Bring your unfinished places to God and trust His care.

3rd Takeaway = Live for the Greater

Jacob was in Egypt, but his hope was in God's promise. **Genesis 48:21**

Heb. 11:21–22 - Faith looks forward

Col. 3:1–2 - Seek and Set on the above

Call to Action:

Choose one way this week to live for eternity over comfort.

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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