



THE STORY OF  
**JOSEPH**

SEEING THE BIGGER PICTURE

**HOW HAS GOD  
BLESSED YOU?**

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**PRAYING PSALM 100**

**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!**

<sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

<sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

**PSALM 100**



*Abraham*

**Genesis 12:3** “...in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”



*Isaac*

**Genesis 26:4** “I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and in your offspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.”



*Jacob*



*Joseph*

**Genesis 28:14** “Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth... in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.”

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“And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, ‘In you shall all the nations be blessed.’ So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.”

*GALATIANS 3:8-9*

**Genesis 12:1-3:**

Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> And **I will make of you a great nation**, and **I will bless you** and make your name great, **so that you will be a blessing**. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”



**Make a great nation**



**Bless the nations**



**GOD IS NATION  
BUILDING**

So Israel took his journey with all that he had and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. <sup>2</sup> And **God spoke to Israel in visions of the night** and said, “Jacob, Jacob.” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>3</sup> Then he said, “I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, **for there I will make you into a great nation.** <sup>4</sup> I myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again, and Joseph's hand shall close your eyes.”

**GENESIS 46:1-4**

<sup>26</sup> All the persons belonging to Jacob who came into Egypt, who were his own descendants, not including Jacob's sons' wives, were sixty-six persons in all. <sup>27</sup> And the sons of Joseph, who were born to him in Egypt, were two. **All the persons of the house of Jacob who came into Egypt were seventy.**

**ABRAM > JACOB'S TRIBE @ 70 > 1MM @ EXODUS**

**GENESIS 46:26-27**



**GOD IS BLESSING  
THE NATIONS**

<sup>28</sup> **He had sent Judah ahead of him to Joseph to show the way** before him in Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen. <sup>29</sup> Then Joseph prepared his chariot and went up to meet Israel his father in Goshen. He presented himself to him and fell on his neck and wept on his neck a good while. <sup>30</sup> Israel said to Joseph, **“Now let me die, since I have seen your face and know that you are still alive.”**

**GENESIS 46:28-30**

<sup>7</sup> Then Joseph brought in Jacob his father and stood him before Pharaoh, and **Jacob blessed Pharaoh.** <sup>8</sup> And Pharaoh said to Jacob, “How many are the days of the years of your life?” <sup>9</sup> And Jacob said to Pharaoh, “The days of the years of my sojourning are 130 years. Few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained to the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their sojourning.” <sup>10</sup> And **Jacob blessed Pharaoh** and went out from the presence of Pharaoh. <sup>11</sup> Then Joseph settled his father and his brothers and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded. <sup>12</sup> And Joseph provided his father, his brothers, and all his father's household with food, according to the number of their dependents.

**GENESIS 47:7-12**

<sup>23</sup> Then Joseph said to the people, “Behold, I have this day bought you and your land for Pharaoh. Now here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land. <sup>24</sup> And at the harvests you shall give a fifth to Pharaoh, and four fifths shall be your own, as seed for the field and as food for yourselves and your households, and as food for your little ones.” <sup>25</sup> And they said, “**You have saved our lives; may it please my lord, we will be servants to Pharaoh.**” <sup>26</sup> So Joseph made it a statute concerning the land of Egypt, and it stands to this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth; the land of the priests alone did not become Pharaoh's.

**GENESIS 47:23-26**

<sup>27</sup> **Thus Israel settled in the land of Egypt,** in the land of Goshen. And they gained possessions in it, and were **fruitful and multiplied greatly.** <sup>28</sup> And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years. So the days of Jacob, the years of his life, were 147 years. <sup>29</sup> And when the time drew near that Israel must die, he called his son Joseph and said to him, “If now I have found favor in your sight, **put your hand under my thigh and promise** to deal kindly and truly with me. Do not bury me in Egypt, <sup>30</sup> but **let me lie with my fathers.** Carry me out of Egypt and bury me in their burying place.” He answered, “I will do as you have said.” <sup>31</sup> And he said, “Swear to me”; and he swore to him. Then Israel bowed himself upon the head of his bed.

**GENESIS 47:27-31**



**LIVE THE TEXT**

## ***You are Abraham's heir!***

*“Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham.”*

*// Galatians 3:7*

*“And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.”*

*// Galatians 3:29*

## ***You are a citizen of God's holy nation!***

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*// 1 Peter 2:9-10*

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## **ACTION:**

- Do your **thoughts** proclaim the excellencies of God?
- Do your **values** proclaim the excellencies of God?
- Do your **words** proclaim the excellencies of God?
- Do your **deeds** proclaim the excellencies of God?

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