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Trends deceive. Traditions enslave. God's Truth transforms.

“From Drought to Downpour”

From the Series,
“Jacob 180”

Genesis 45 & 46

Preached Sunday PM 7/20/14

Meadow Baptist Church

1. The Rarest & Sweetest Of Moments (Genesis 45:25-28)

- a. Unbelievably good news (25) - *“So they went up out of Egypt and came to the land of Canaan to their father Jacob. 26 And they told him, “Joseph is still alive, and he is ruler over all the land of Egypt.” And his heart became numb, for he did not believe them.”*
- b. Undeniably clear evidence (27) - *“But when they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said to them, and when he saw the wagons that Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of their father Jacob revived.”*
- c. Unhesitatingly bold commitment (28) - *“And Israel said, “It is enough; Joseph my son is still alive. I will go and see him before I die.”*

2. The Kindest Of Intentional Reassurance (Genesis 46:1-6)

- a. Jacob’s submissive worship (1-2) - *“So Israel took his journey with all that he had and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. 2 And God spoke to Israel in visions of the night and said, “Jacob, Jacob.” And he said, “Here am I.”*
- b. God’s sovereign word (3-4) - *“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. 4 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.”*
- c. Israel’s surrendered way (5-6) - *“Then Jacob set out from Beersheba. The sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons that Pharaoh had sent to carry him. 6 They also took their livestock and their goods,*

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which they had gained in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob and all his offspring with him."

3. The Fulfillment Of A Long-Lost Hope (Genesis 46:29-30)

- a. The long awaited reunion (29) - *"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."*
- b. The deeply felt love (30) - *"Israel said to Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen your face and know that you are still alive."*