

JOSEPH

A STORY OF GOD'S BLESSING

18 His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. “We are your slaves,” they said.

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***20 You intended to harm me, but God intended
it for good to accomplish what is now being
done, the saving of many lives. 21 So then,
don’t be afraid. I will provide for you and your
children.” And he reassured them and spoke
kindly to them.***

***²² Joseph stayed in Egypt, along with all his father's family. He lived a hundred and ten years
²³ and saw the third generation of Ephraim's children. Also the children of Makir son of Manasseh were placed at birth on Joseph's knees.
²⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob."***

***²⁵ And Joseph made the Israelites swear an oath and said, “God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place.”
²⁶ So Joseph died at the age of a hundred and ten. And after they embalmed him, he was placed in a coffin in Egypt.***

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