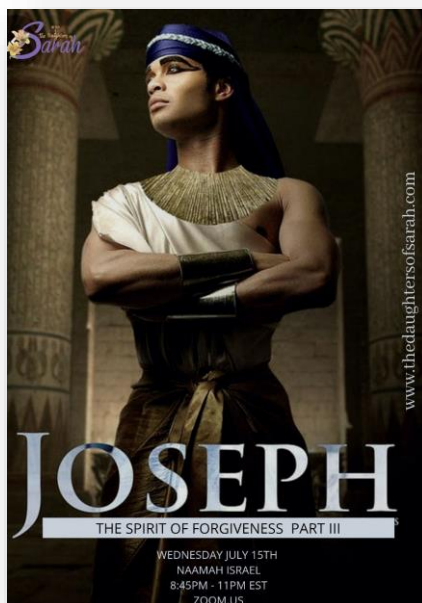


**Topic: Joseph & The Spirit of Forgiveness Part 3**

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Sisters say I forgive you, but in their heart, they are holding a grudge. How they treat you it lets you know they actually didn't.

Anyone struggle with grudges? - When you are angry and can't let it go.

**Mama Shamarah-**

You have made a decision in your mind that you are a willing participant not to forgive someone.

You hold onto that weight of grudging and you think you are going to get the kingdom of heaven.

You are fooling no one but yourself.

**Question -**

What if I forgive you but I don't forget what you did?

**Answer -**

There is a difference.

ex. I invite you to my house and you steal a pair of my shoes. I may forgive you for stealing my shoes, but I am not going to give you free range in my house to have access to the same privileges I gave you that's not a grudge

### **Forgive**

1. Get over it-

For all the wickedness and sins I committed, all people I offended even up to today but yet I want the Heavenly Father to forgive me for my crap and I have the nerve to not forgive others

2. I must be willing to let it go and forgive for Christ to forgive me
  - Railing for railing not going to get you anywhere
  - The goal is to be blameless and you cannot be blameless if you are holding a grudge

### **Question -**

When unrepentant relatives do something to me. I don't deal with them don't speak to them I just cut them off but I'm here if they need something

### **Answer - Mama Naamah**

You still mad.

Ex. You're not dealing with me and not speaking to me how am I going to know there's a problem?

You could call if there a problem.

### **Unbelieving relatives is measured on a different scale**

**2 Corinthians 6:14 (KJV)** Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

- You in the light keeping the commandments and darkness means sins
- Don't be unequally yoke. They don't care about commandments.
- Don't be emotionally connected to them
  - Love them from a distance

**2 Corinthians 6:15 (KJV)** And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

- Christ going to be as righteous as he can be and the Devil going to be evil as he can

**2 Corinthians 6:16 (KJV)** And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

- That is like putting idols in his temple; they should not be together
- The Most High is walking with you; he's not with the unrepented relative

**2 Corinthians 6:17 (KJV)** Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

- The Most High said come out from among them
- Don't be emotionally attached. Be separated
- Be around family in the truth

**Ecclesiasticus 13:15-17 (Apocrypha)** Every beast loveth his like, and every man loveth his neighbor.

**vs 16** All flesh consorteth according to kind, and a man will cleave to his like.

**vs 17** What fellowship hath the wolf with the lamb? so the sinner with the godly.

- When the wolf comes it will kill that lamb and that's how worldly family do
- You're godly and working on your repentance and they not
- Lamb and wolf don't have nothing in common
  - Lamb is a peaceful animal, wolf is ready to devour
- When living amongst them be cordial and kind
- Be wise as a snake and harmless as a dove
- Withdrawal from certain conversations
  - Use wisdom

**Ecclesiasticus 30:21 (Apocrypha)** Give not over thy mind to heaviness, and afflict not thyself in thine own counsel.

- Give your mind over to godly people all day
- Once you know they ungodly leave them alone
- Come out - physical and spiritual
  - Spiritual Separate yourself >> Don't be around people to allow them to take shots at you. If you stay under them that's your fault

**Ecclesiasticus 30:22 (Apocrypha)** The gladness of the heart is the life of man, and the joyfulness of a man prolongeth his days.

**vs 23** Love thine own soul, and comfort thy heart, remove sorrow far from thee: for sorrow hath killed many, and there is no profit therein.

- People love to see you miserable especially unbelievers and people in the truth
  - They want you to think the truth isn't good
- Exhibit joy and contentment in your life
- It's spiritual warfare

A lot of people say they're not holding a grudge and aren't mad but truly they are

Forgive in sincerity. You don't have to be besties, but we must forgive

**Matthew 5:44 (KJV)** But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

- Pray for them that persecuted and be evil towards you
- The relationship might be the same because of the offense. Still forgive

**Ecclesiasticus 6:1 (Apocrypha)** Instead of a friend become not an enemy; for thereby thou shalt inherit an ill name, shame, and reproach: even so shall a sinner that hath a double tongue.

- Instead of trying to be best friends just try not to be an enemy
- We not besties but we not enemies
- Be sisters in Christ and don't mean we love you any less
- Find that balance

**Ecclesiasticus 6:7 (Apocrypha)** If thou wouldest get a friend, prove him first and be not hasty to credit him.

- Prove means to test and wait for the results
  - Prove them first

**“Make sure you not walking around offended people”**

It takes time to build back up trust >> Trust is earned

- It's a process for some. It may take a year or years to earn that trust back.
- Still be there for that sister, when they need something be there

Stop putting expectations on people and just let your light shine.

- Be that example

### **Joseph the Spirit of Forgiveness**

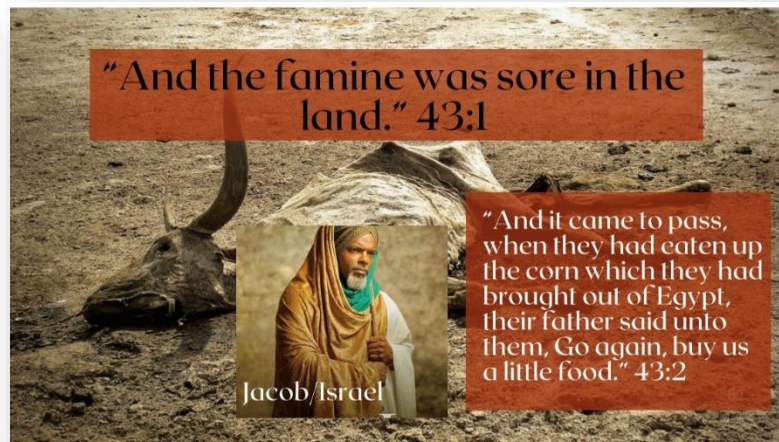
Joseph is now in command and one step lower to the Pharaoh in Egypt

He's about to meet up with the same brothers that treated him like crap

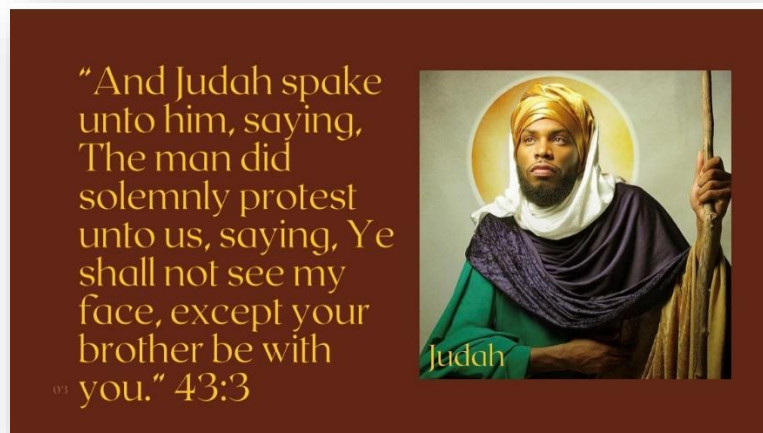
Joseph brothers went home and told their father they have to bring Benjamin to Egypt, but the father doesn't want to let his baby boy go

**Genesis 43:1-2 (KJV)** And the famine was sore in the land.

**vs 2** And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a little food.



**Genesis 43:3 (KJV)** And Judah spake unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you.



**Genesis 43:4 (KJV)** If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:

**Genesis 43:5 (KJV)** But if thou wilt not send him, we will not go down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you.

- They let their dad know we can't go to get food if you don't let us take Benjamin with us

"If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:" 43:4

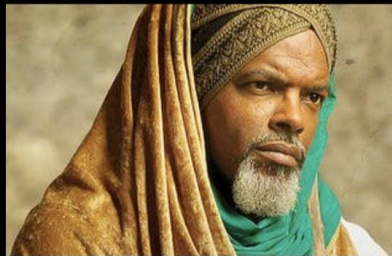


"But if thou wilt not send him, we will not go down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you." 43:5

**Genesis 43:6 (KJV)** And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye so ill with me, as to tell the man whether ye had yet a brother?

Their father asks,

- "Why did y'all even tell him y'all had a little brother? I already lost my first son.

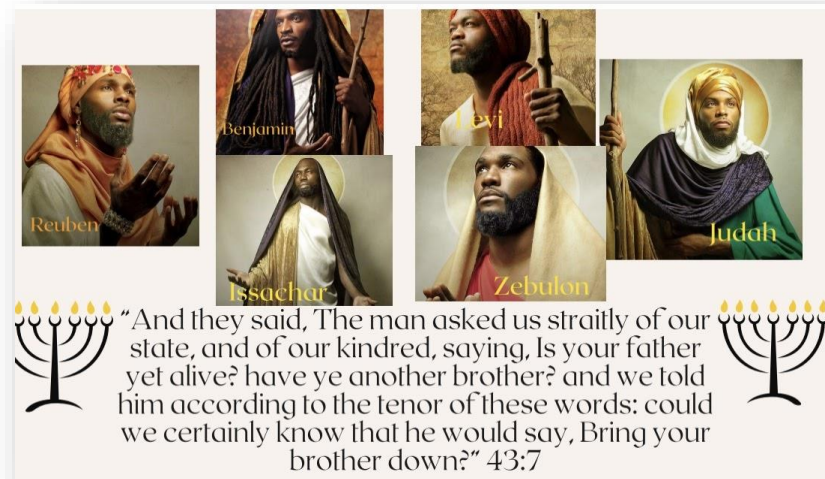


"And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye so ill with me, as to tell the man whether ye had yet a brother?" 43:6

**Genesis 43:7 (KJV)** And they said, The man asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, Is your father yet alive? have ye another brother? and we told him according to the tenor of these words: could we certainly know that he would say, Bring your brother down?

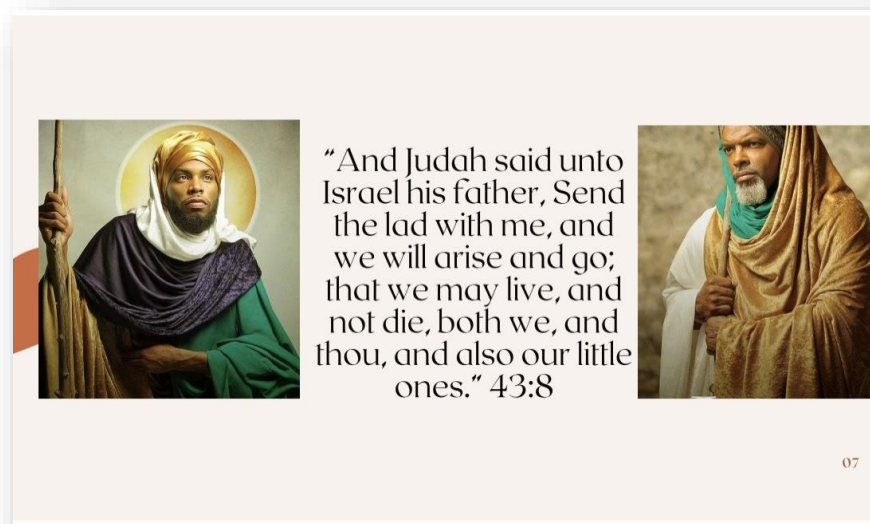
They told their father

- He was asking all these questions; we didn't know he was going to say "go get your brother and bring him back"
- The mother has already passed, and he thinks Joseph has passed too



**Genesis 43:8 (KJV)** And Judah said unto Israel his father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, and also our little ones.

- Brothers said “dad sent Benjamin with me so we can live. We have no food”



**Genesis 43:9 (KJV)** I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame for ever:


He's telling him

- I am going to bring him back. You can take my little ones we will bring him back

**Genesis 43:10 (KJV)** For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time.

"I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him; if I bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame for ever:" 43:9


"For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time." 43:10



**Genesis 43:11 (KJV)** And their father Israel said unto them, If it must be so now, do this; take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, a little balm, and a little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:

- Their father told them bring Joseph some myrrh, honey, nuts, and spices

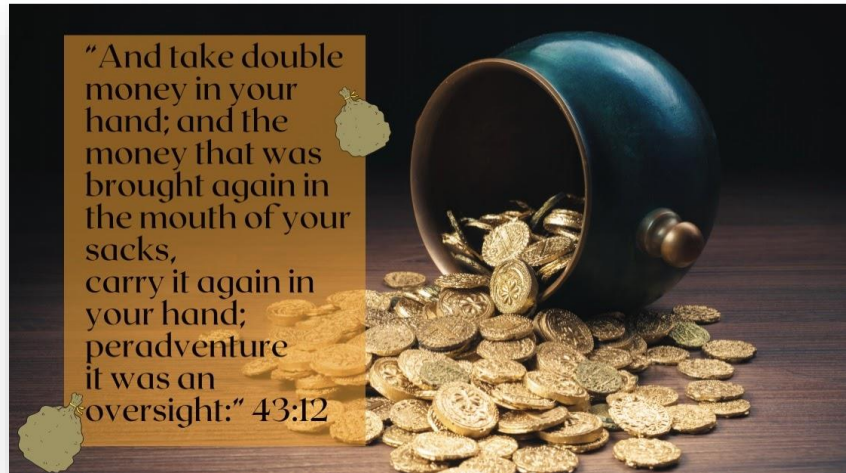
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**Genesis 43:12 (KJV)** And take double money in your hand; and the money that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry it again in your hand; peradventure it was an oversight:



- Take double the money back >>> them coming back home, having all that money in our bags and it looked like we thieves.
- Dad wants to be honest, he's like, "take double the money back"

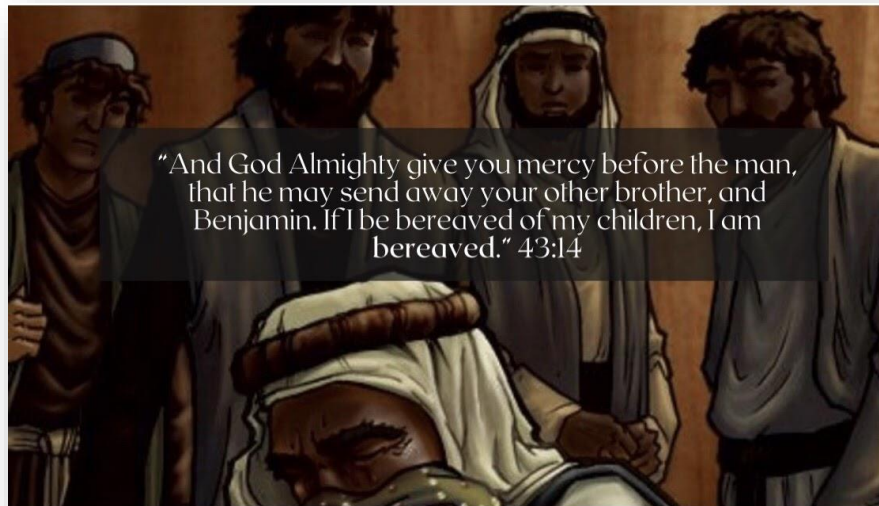


**Genesis 43:13 (KJV)** Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man:

**vs 14** And God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.

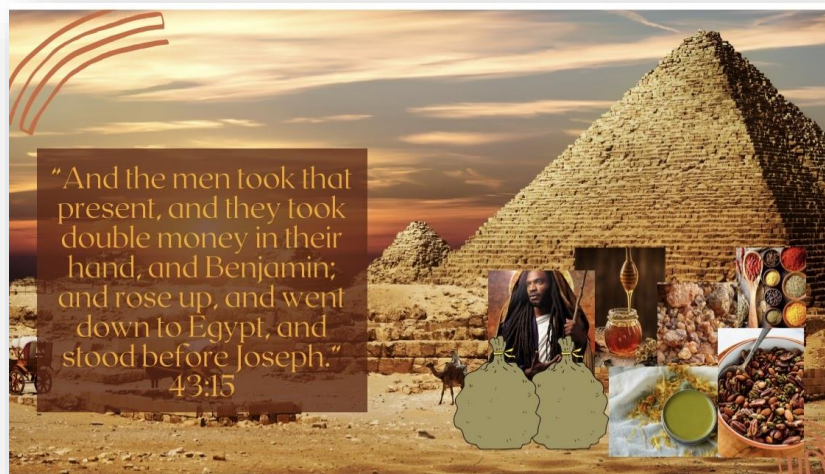
- Bereaved - was over the death of someone
- The father saying "Take Benjamin whatever happens happens"





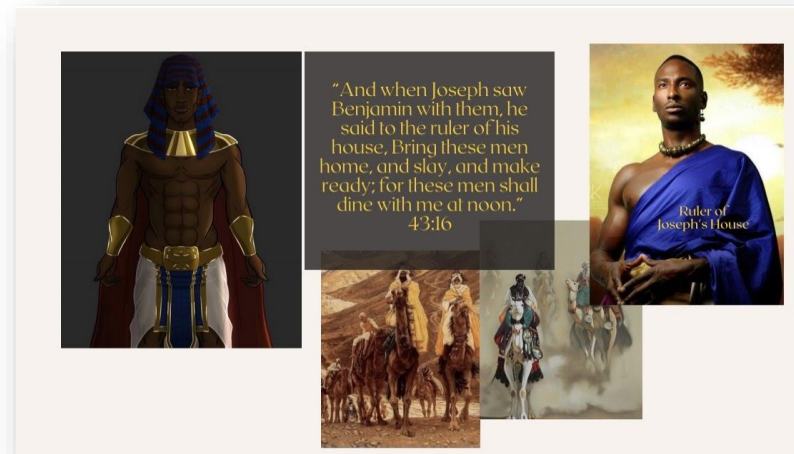
**Genesis 43:15 (KJV)** And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph.

- They took the double money and they took nuts and spices to Egypt

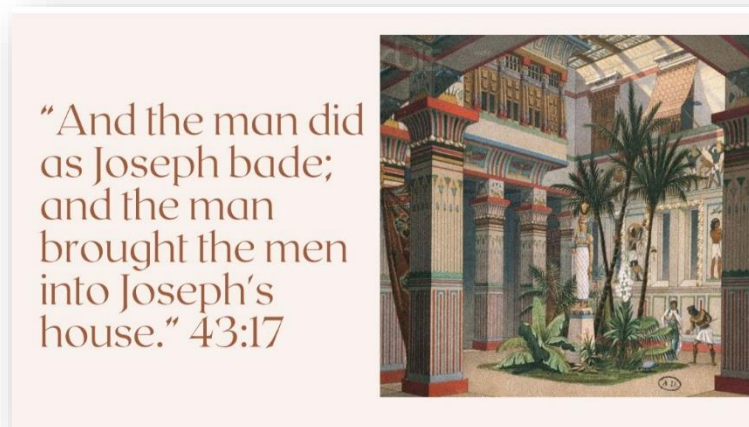


**Genesis 43:16 (KJV)** And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of his house, Bring these men home, and slay, and make ready; for these men shall dine with me at noon.

- Joseph saw Benjamin coming
- Joseph telling his servants, "Take them to my house, make them food and they will have lunch together"



**Genesis 43:17 (KJV)** And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into Joseph's house.

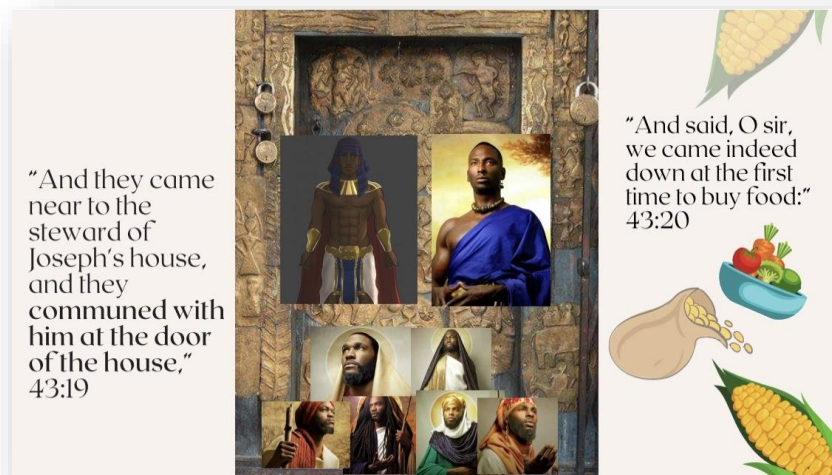


**Genesis 43:18 (KJV)** And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses.

- They worried, they told us to go to his house because of the money and we stole it.
  - Not knowing Joseph had the money put back in their sacks

**Genesis 43:19-20 (KJV)** And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house,

**vs 20** And said, O sir, we came indeed down at the first time to buy food:





**Genesis 43:21-22 (KJV)** And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.

**vs 22** And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

They are trying to explain to the servant,

- "When we came the first time we paid, and we don't know how the money got back in there"
- We don't know how the money got back in our sacks.

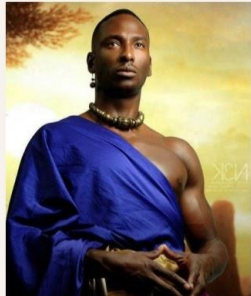

"And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand." 43:21

"And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks." 43:22


**Genesis 43:23 (KJV)** And he said, Peace be to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them.

He calmed them down

- "Don't worry about anything I told them to put money back in your sacks
- And he brought out Simeon to them

"And he said, Peace be to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them." 43:23



**Genesis 43:24 (KJV)** And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

- Notice Joseph brought them water and fed their animals
  - This is forgiveness looks like



“And the man brought the men into Joseph’s house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.”  
43:24

**Genesis 43:25 (KJV)** And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there

- They heard they and having lunch with second in command

“And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.”  
43:25



**Genesis 43:26 (KJV)** And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the earth.

- Now when Joseph came in the house, they bowed down to the floor



“And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the earth.” 43:26

**Genesis 43:27 (KJV)** And he asked them of their welfare, and said, Is your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? Is he yet alive?

- He is asking about their father
  - They don't know why
  - He misses his father

**Genesis 43:28 (KJV)** And they answered, Thy servant our father is in good health, he is yet alive. And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

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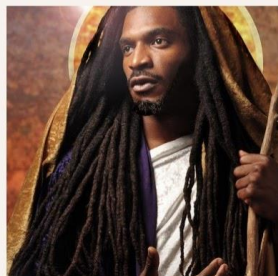


Obeisance: *nom.*, a movement of the body expressing deep respect or deferential courtesy, as before a superior; a bow, curtsy, or other similar gesture. deference or homage:

**Genesis 43:29 (KJV)** And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, Is this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto thee, my son.

- Joseph lifted his eyes and saw his brother Benjamin. He notices his brother

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**Genesis 43:30 (KJV)** And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought where to weep; and he entered into his chamber, and wept there.

- His heart is still hurt from his brothers. He is powerful up there but he still has a heart



“And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought where to weep; and he entered into his chamber, and wept there.” 43:30



**Genesis 43:31 (KJV)** And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, Set on bread.

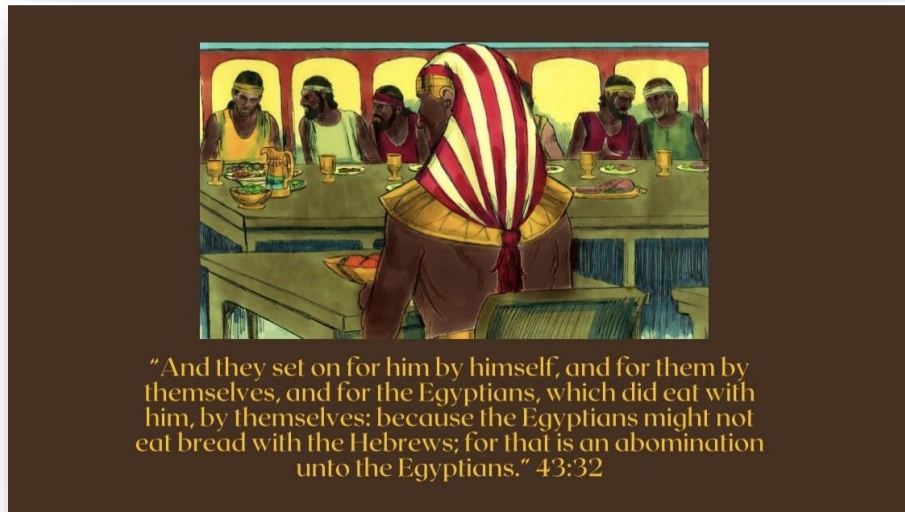
- Joseph washes his face and acts like he was not crying
- He is hurting and upset but treat them well regardless

**Genesis 43:32 (KJV)** And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

- They set Joseph by himself and his brothers on their own table

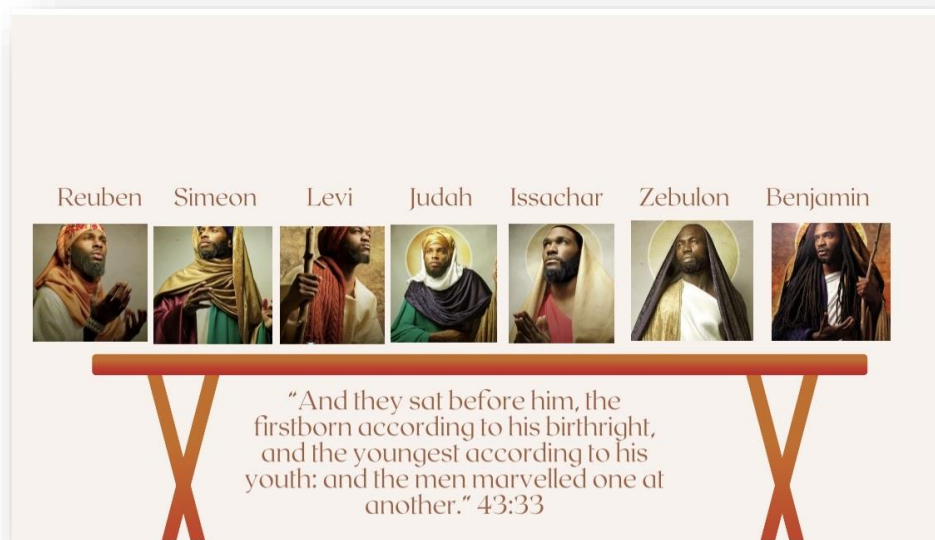


- Egyptians are at their own table because it's abomination to eat together with the Hebrews



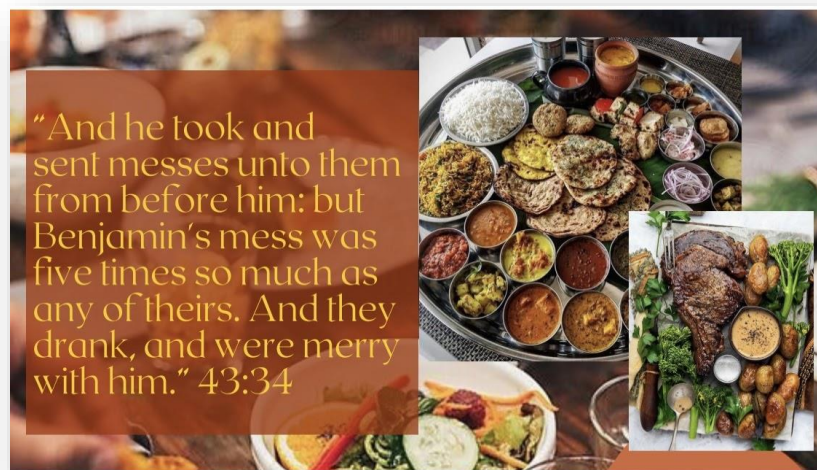
**Genesis 43:33 (KJV)** And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marvelled one at another.

- He sat them down according to the order of their age and they like what's going on
  - They are sitting in order by age



**Genesis 43:34 (KJV)** And he took and sent messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him

- When they fed them he gave them a lot of food. Benjamin has three times more than them.
  - This is what forgiveness looks like. They have everything they needed
  - They still don't know that's their brother
- Joseph gave them back their money. He gave them extra food for their road trip.
- He is not holding a grudge
  - Whether they gave an apology or not I will
  - Must remember what's pleasing to God



**Genesis 44:1 (KJV)** And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.

- Fill them up with food to the max and load them up.
  - He's not tending evil for evil or strife for strife
  - Overcoming evil with good

**Romans 12:21 (KJV)** Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

- He gave them back their money even though they were evil toward him
  - That's extra loving and caring

Side Note: Don't let someone wicked have power over you and now you are wicked

ex. your lord comes in and be mad and goes off on you. You can overcome evil with good. Give him a kiss, say baby I cooked your favorite food.

- Don't jump into the argument with him

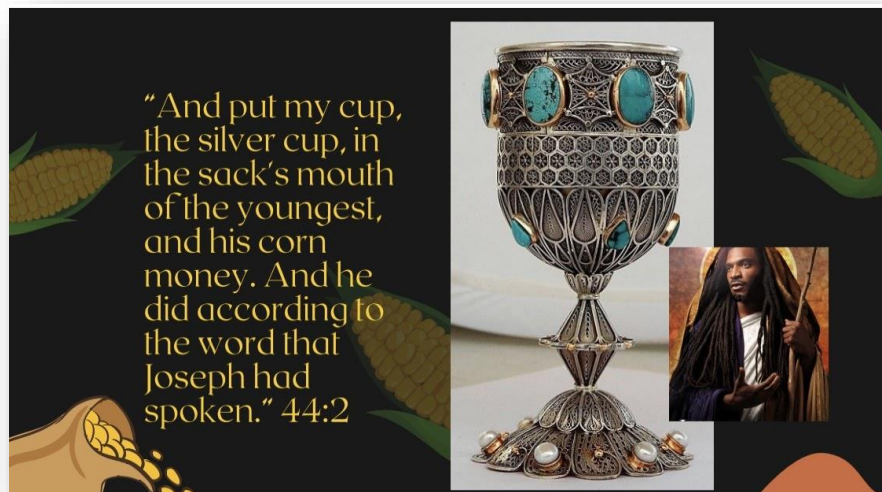
- A soft answer turns away wrath - scripture



“And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men’s sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put every man’s money in his sack’s mouth.” 44:1

**Genesis 44:2 (KJV)** And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his corn money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

- Joseph requested his silver cup be slipped into Benjamin backpack



“And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack’s mouth of the youngest, and his corn money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.” 44:2

**Genesis 44:3 (KJV)** As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.

- Men were sent away on their asses with all the food given to them



“As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.” 44:3

**Genesis 44:4 (KJV)** And when they were gone out of the city, and not yet far off, Joseph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?

- Joseph told his steward follow them ask them “why do you rewarded me evil for all the good I done for you all”



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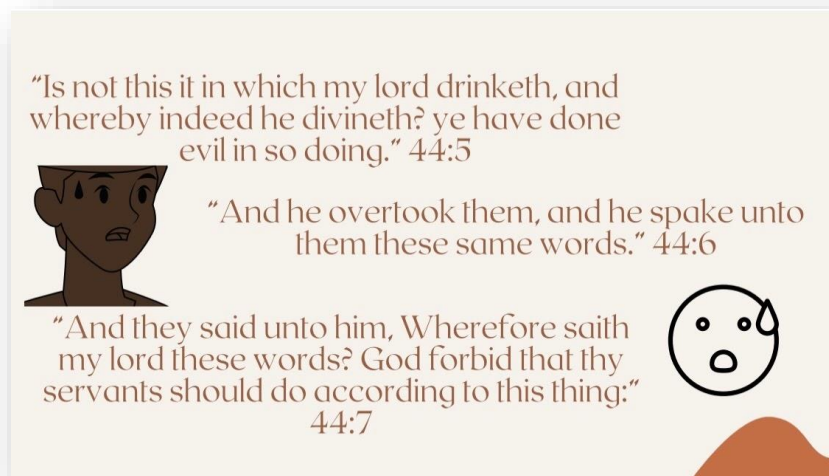
**Genesis 44:5 (KJV)** Is not this it in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he divineth? ye have done evil in so doing.

**Genesis 44:6-7 (KJV)** And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

**vs 7** And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God forbid that thy servants should do according to this thing:

They saying,

- Why would you say that? God forbid we will do something like that



**Genesis 44:8 (KJV)** Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold?

- They said we brought money back here so what sense will it be to come back here to steal after we came back to pay money back double for first and second time

**Genesis 44:9 (KJV)** With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, both let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen.

- One brother said if you find your cup on us you kill that person and the rest of us will be slaves



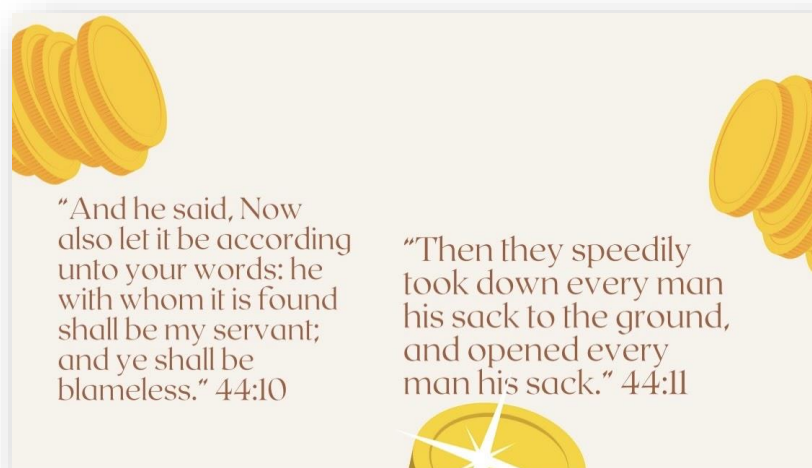
**Genesis 44:10 (KJV)** And he said, Now also let it be according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.

Joseph saying

- We going to go with your words
- This is what we are going to do >>> Whoever we find the cup with, he will be the servant and the rest them can leave

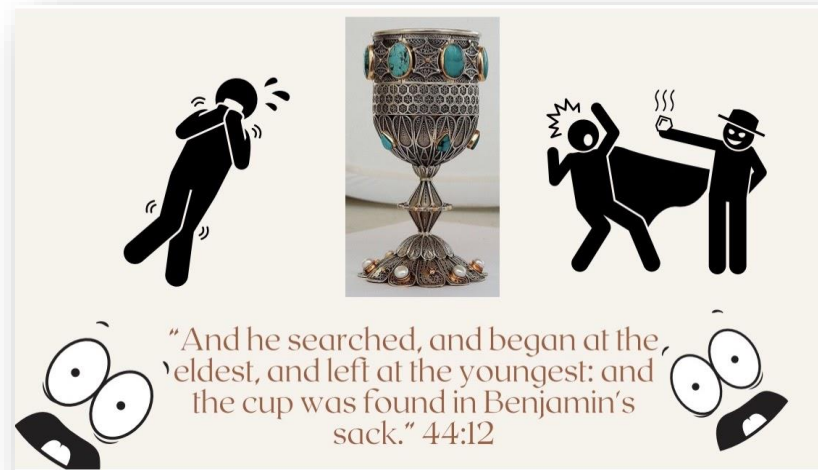
**Genesis 44:11 (KJV)** Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every man his sack.

- They opened the sacks quickly



**Genesis 44:12 (KJV)** And he searched, and began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

- The cup was found in Benjamin sack

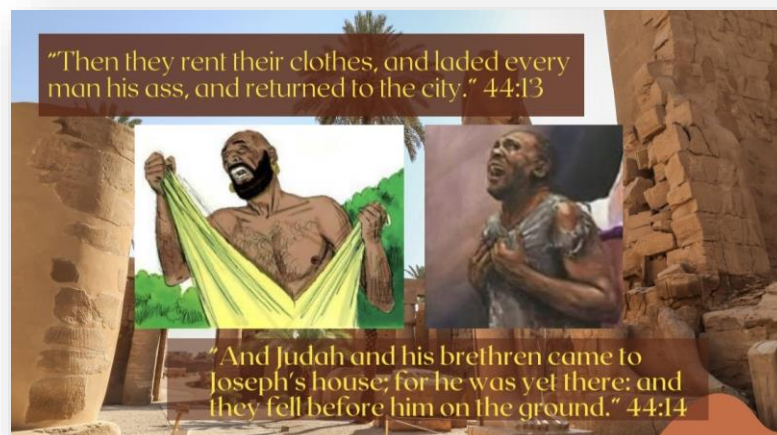


**Genesis 44:13 (KJV)** Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

- Now they ripped their clothes, wondering how they were going to tell dad this.

**Genesis 44:14 (KJV)** And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he was yet there: and they fell before him on the ground.

- When they found the cup and they went to the house begging for mercy



**Genesis 44:15 (KJV)** And Joseph said unto them, What deed is this that ye have done? wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly divine?

Joseph saying,

- You all think I didn't know my cup will be gone

**Genesis 44:16 (KJV)** And Judah said, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? God hath found out the iniquity of thy servants: behold, we are my lord's servants, both we, and he also with whom the cup is found.

- They can't explain the steward found the cup on us

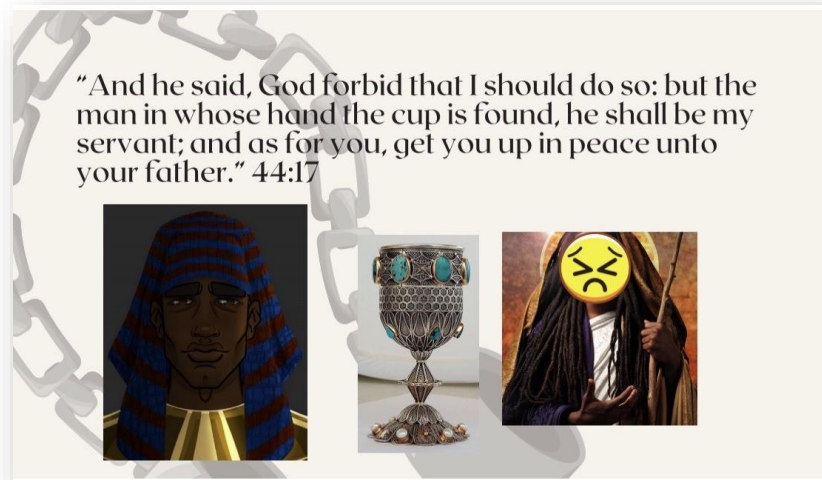


**Genesis 44:17 (KJV)** And he said, God forbid that I should do so: but the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace unto your father.

Joseph saying

- "The cup that was found in the youngest brother he will be a servant and the rest of you all can leave"





**Genesis 44:18 (KJV)** Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou art even as Pharaoh.

- Judah said "if I can, may I speak to you"



**Genesis 44:19-20 (KJV)** My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a brother?

**vs 20** And we said unto my lord, We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him.

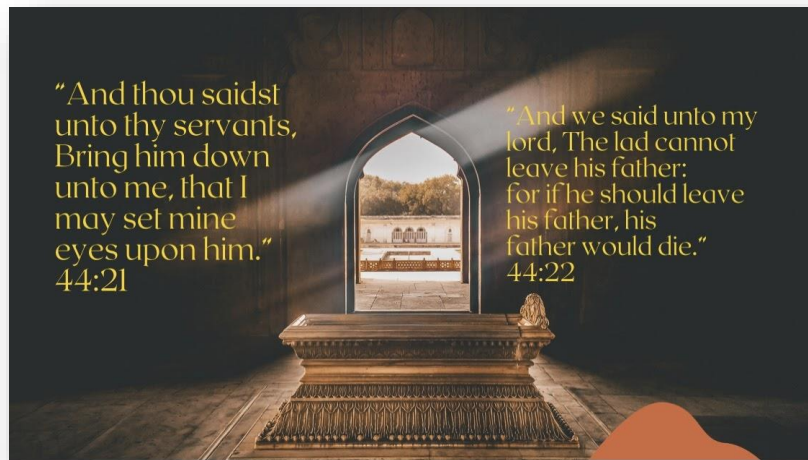
They saying,

- You asked us and we told you and our father love our little brother. It's his only child with his wife which has passed

**Genesis 44:21-22 (KJV)** And thou saidst unto thy servants, Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him.

**vs 22** And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die.

- Judah said, “We told you we can’t go get him because my father will die”
  - If you keep our little brother our father would die



**Genesis 44:23-24 (KJV)** And thou saidst unto thy servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you, ye shall see my face no more.

**vs 24** And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord.

- We told our father what you said about Benjamin


**Genesis 44:25 (KJV)** And our father said, Go again, and buy us a little food.

- Our father sent us back anyway


**Genesis 44:26 (KJV)** And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother be with us.

- They explaining to Joseph how their father feels

“And our father said, Go again, and buy us a little food.” 44:25



“And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man’s face, except our youngest brother be with us.” 44:26



**Genesis 44:27 (KJV)** And thy servant my father said unto us, Ye know that my wife bare me two sons:

- Rachel was the mother of Joseph and Benjamin
- Jacob lost his wife when she gave birth to Benjamin

**Genesis 44:28 (KJV)** And the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since:

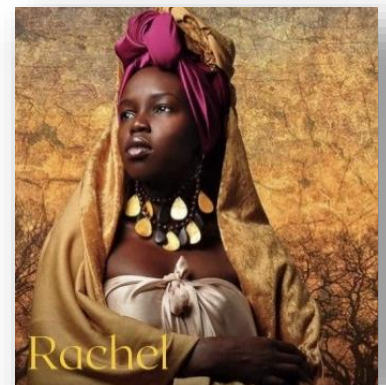
- They are trying to explain but they dad is still grieving, it’s Joseph they took too

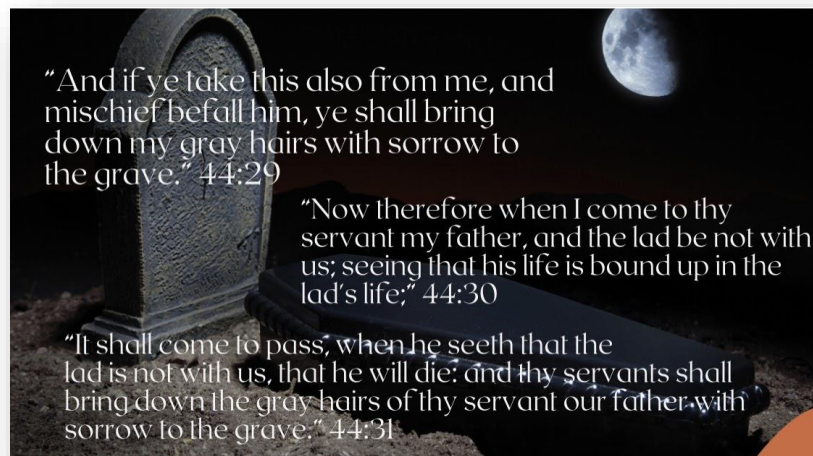
**Genesis 44:29-31 (KJV)** And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

**vs 30** Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad be not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the lad's life;

**vs 31** It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad is not with us, that he will die: and thy servants shall bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to the grave.

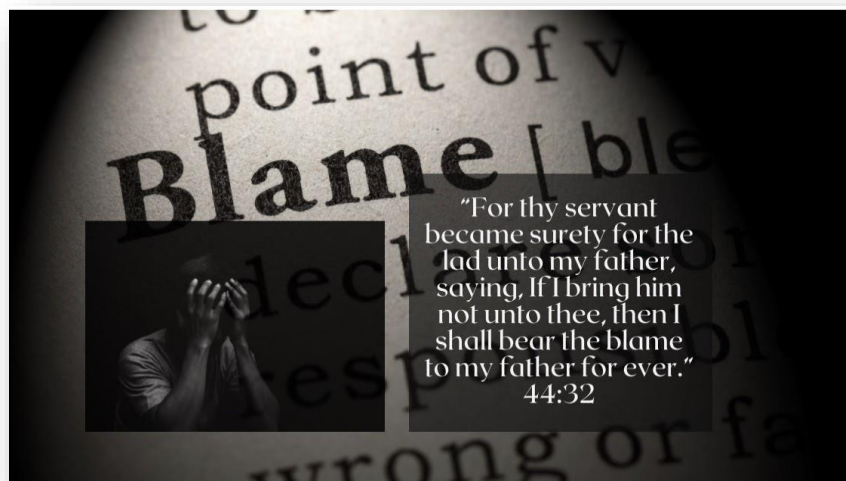
- If our father sees Benjamin not with us, he’s going to die





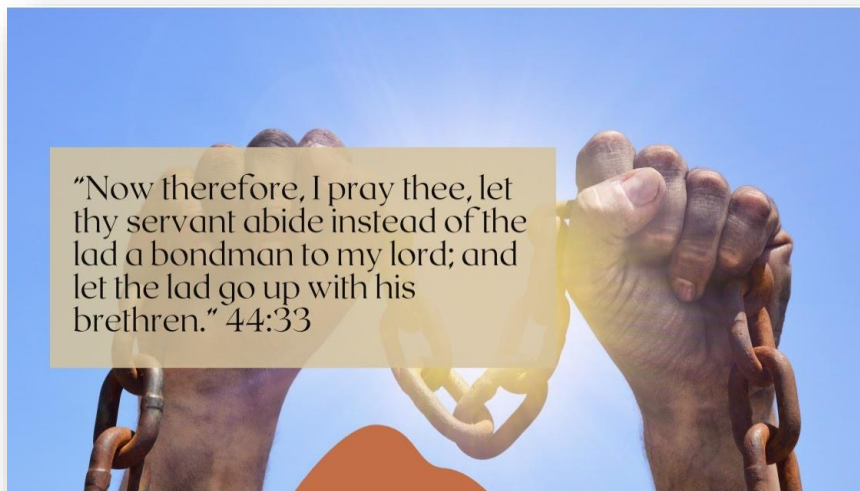
**Genesis 44:32 (KJV)** For thy servant became surety for the lad unto my father, saying, If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father for ever.

- He said "I got him, blame me if anything happens to Benjamin. I will surely bring him back"



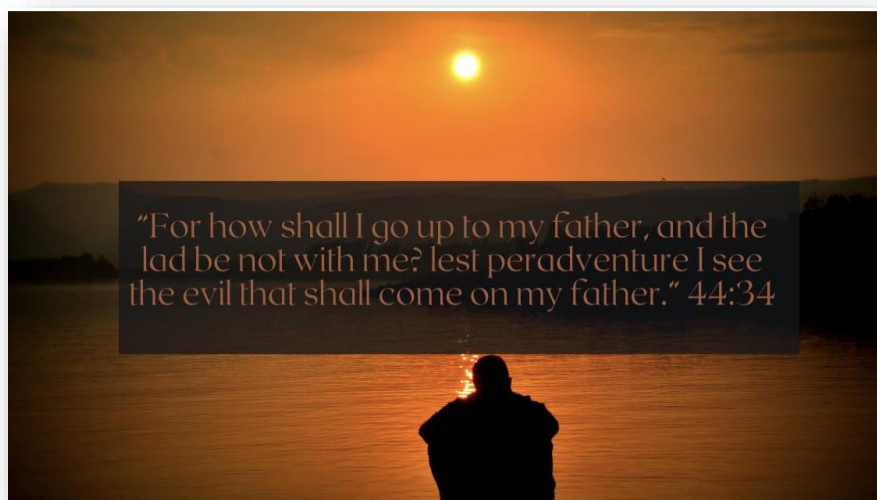
**Genesis 44:33 (KJV)** Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

- Judah said trade me for Benjamin
  - Does not won't his father to go through this grief



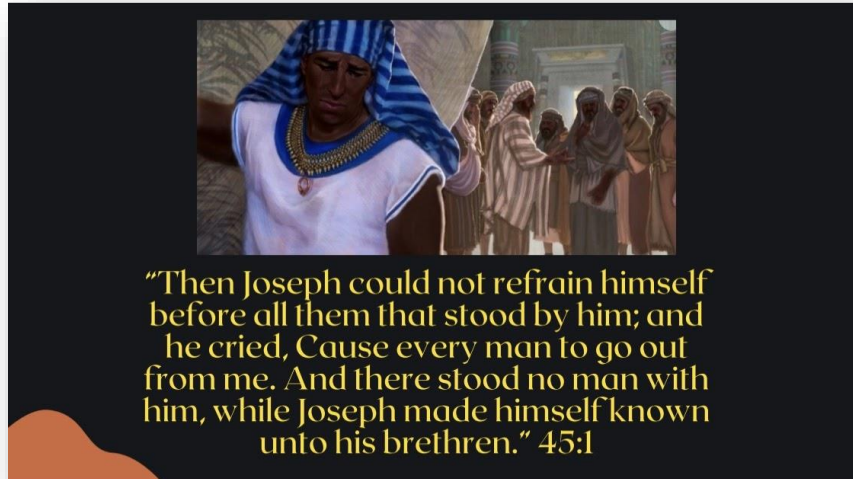
**Genesis 44:34 (KJV)** For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad be not with me? lest peradventure I see the evil that shall come on my father.

- I don't want to see the evil on my father



**Genesis 45:1 (KJV)** Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren.

- Joseph hearing how much his father loved his brother and grieving about how his father thinking his dead
- He told everyone to leave out because cause of the pain



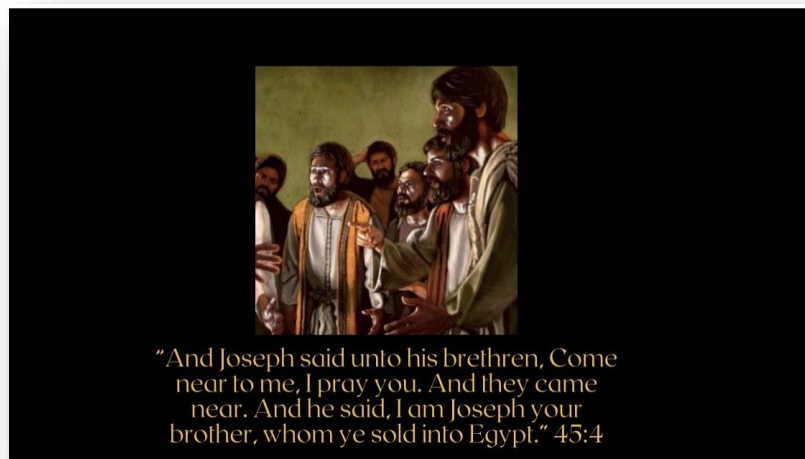
**Genesis 45:2 (KJV)** And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

- He wept so loud the Egyptians heard from different rooms
  - That was from all the years of pain and anger

**Genesis 45:3-4 (KJV)** And Joseph said unto his brethren, I am Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

**vs 4** And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.

- The brothers could not even answer
  - They can't wrap they mind around that this is Joseph's their brother
- Remember no one knows this is Joseph
- 13 years later they are shocked
  - Joseph is bringing their sin to remembrance



**Genesis 45:5 (KJV)** Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.

- They were speechless but he exhorted them and comforted them

**Genesis 45:6-7 (KJV)** For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest.

**vs 7** And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

- It's already been two years of famine and it's five years left

**Genesis 45:8-9 (KJV)** So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

**vs 9** Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not:

Joseph saying,

- God sent me here in advance to be a help
- What happened a long time ago it's not y'all fault, God wanted that to happen
- God made me lord of all the houses in Egypt
- Go tell my father I am alive, I am good, I am rich, I am Second in command in Egypt

**Genesis 45:10 (KJV)** And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast:

- He said I am going to give you all, your own land. Go get your wife's, children and children. I want y'all next to me. I will make sure you all are good

A certain love comes with forgiveness

- We all did stuff, in the different captivities over 400 years and the Most High is still forgiving us
- If our children don't see the sincerely within us, they will learn how to be fake
  - Examine yourself, forgive and let it go

**Genesis 45:11 (KJV)** And there will I nourish thee; for yet there are five years of famine; lest thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.

- He didn't say "You all stay in your land and I'll send bread every year"
- He said "I am going to take care you"
  - This is how love and forgiveness looks like

**Genesis 45:12 (KJV)** And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaketh unto you.

- You see me for yourself and my brother saw me and heard me speak
- He will believe Benjamin

**Genesis 45:13 (KJV)** And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither.

- When you all go home tell dad "I'm doing well in the land and bring him back when you return"

**Genesis 45:14 (KJV)** And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck.

- Imagine the love he had for his brother
- His little brother suffered because he didn't have his brother
- He missed his brother

**Genesis 45:15 (KJV)** Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

- He forgave them all
  - That's real forgiveness

**Genesis 45:16 (KJV)** And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

- Pharaoh was happy for him

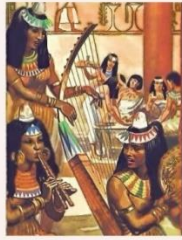
**Genesis 45:17-18 (KJV)** And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;

**vs 18** And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land.

Pharaoh saying

- I want you to take the land of Canaan
- "Because you all are related to Joseph, I will make sure y'all are good and get the best"
  - They are blessed by the same brother they treated like crap





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"And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;" 45:17



**Genesis 45:19 (KJV)** Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

- Joseph made sure they had transportation with more room for traveling
- That's love after someone who threw you in a pit, and then would cause you to be enslaved, go to jail and be lied on

**Genesis 45:20 (KJV)** Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours.

- Don't bring nothing with you, just bring your family

**Genesis 45:21 (KJV)** And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

- He gave them food on the way. Going and coming.
  - That was first class trip
- This shows us what true forgiveness is



**Genesis 45:22 (KJV)** To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver, and five changes of raiment.

- Now he is giving them the best clothes
  - It was not bad clothes
- They probably looking like, “we sold him in slavery... Look at how he’s treating us”
- Benjamin his brother, they both had the same mother
- Joseph made sure Benjamin was good
  - Made sure he had more but he took care of all them



**Genesis 45:23 (KJV)** And to his father he sent after this manner; ten asses laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

- He still honored his father even though he didn’t see him in 13 years.
  - He sent donkeys and she asses and much food
- Their Father would be looking like “I didn’t give y’all that much money “



**Genesis 45:24 – 26 (KJV)** So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, See that ye fall not out by the way.

**vs 25** And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father,

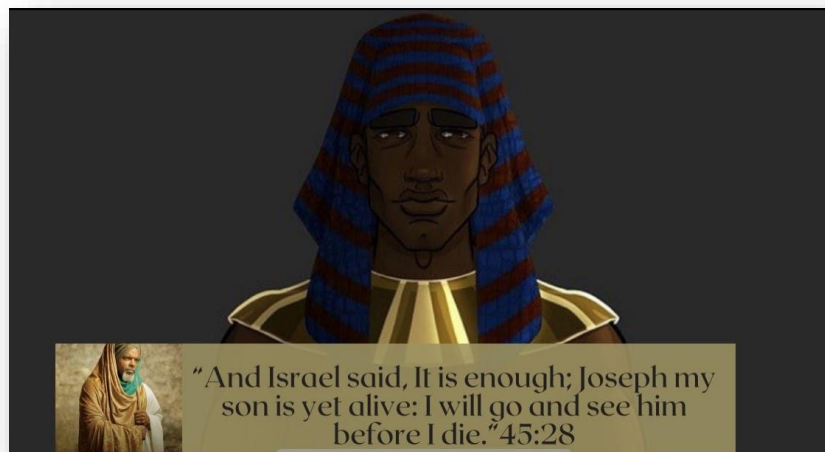
**vs 26** And told him, saying, Joseph is yet alive, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt. And Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.

- They told their father, Joseph is alive and he's over the land of Egypt
- Father looking like what? Joseph is dead
  - He is in disbelief

**Genesis 45:27-28 (KJV)** And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived:

**vs 28** And Israel said, It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

- You don't know what it is to lose a child and then to find out that child is alive
  - Their father's spirit revived
- Jacob said if my son is alive, let's go see him



**Matthew 5:16 (KJV)** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

- Be that example

**Mama Deborah**

**Leviticus 19:18 (KJV)** Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD.

- Don't hold grudges
- The Most High is the one going to deal with the issue
- Joseph could have said "You all sent me away and tried to kill me". "Y'all want me to help you all?"
  - He didn't hold a grudge against his own people