



## Genesis

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# Jacob's Move To Egypt

## Chapter 46

# The story so far...

- Joseph, the beloved of the father...
- Rejected by his brethren...
- Suffers, and is finally exalted...
- He takes a Gentile bride
- And holds the office of King & Priest...
- During a period of 7 years of 'trouble'
- His brethren cry out to him for help...
- They acknowledge their sin...
- And repent in their hour of need...
- Joseph become their saviour

# The Revelation of Joseph

- He “made himself known to his brothers”
- When & why did he choose to do it?
- When he saw in them the “fruits of repentance”
- Repentance brings Restoration
- Restoration brings Revelation

# The Revelation of Joseph

- Type and Shadow of Israel:
- Joseph was hidden from his brothers until they repented
- Jesus will be hidden from Israel until they repent
  - Zechariah 12:
    - “And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn”.

# The Revelation of Joseph

- After 22 years of separation he now desires to see his father
- Jacob will move the family down into Egypt in fulfilment of the prophetic promise given to Abraham...

# God's Protection

<sup>15</sup> And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

<sup>16</sup> But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.

Gen 15:15-16

*“Iniquity of the Amorites not yet full” ?*

- They need to sin a bit more?
- God is giving them time to repent?
- The end of something is in sight:
  - the influx of the Nephilim would cease

# Our Ready or God's Ready?

- We may think we are ready for the challenge...
- But God's timing is always perfect!
- Consider David
  - Was he ready to become king?
  - God would have him learn many more lessons before finally becoming king
- Consider Paul
  - His enthusiasm to preach the gospel nearly resulted in his premature death!
  - He had to be lowered over the wall in a basket and flee! (14 years later he was ready!)

# Genesis 46

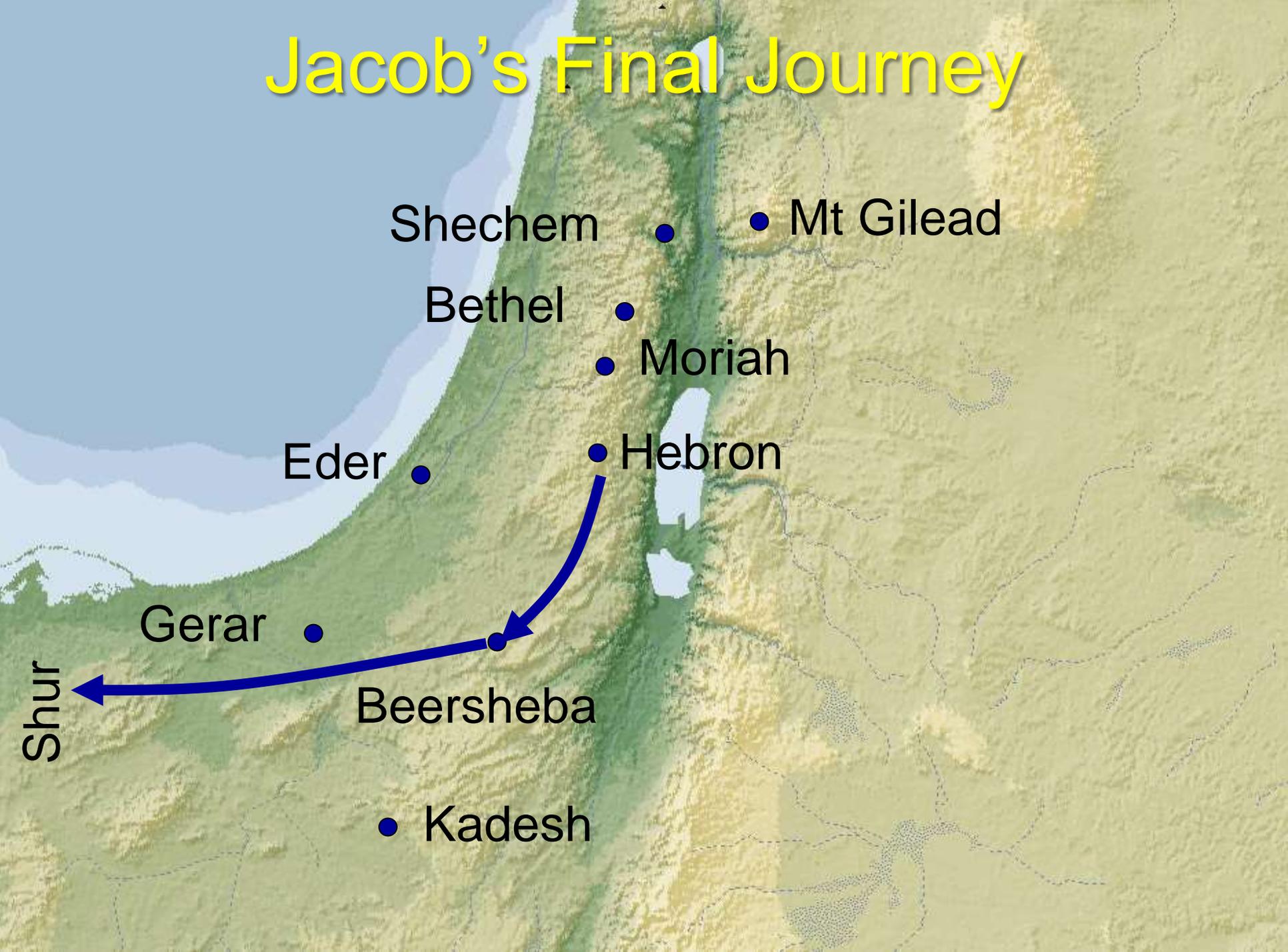
<sup>1</sup>And Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and offered sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac.

**Genesis 46:1**

# Jacob's Final Journey

- Back through the land of his forefathers
- Beersheba = “well of the sevenfold oath”
- Hagar is visited by an Angel - [Gen 21:14-18](#)
- Abraham takes an oath with Abimelech - [Gen 21:22-33](#)
- Isaac is met by God there...

# Jacob's Final Journey



Shechem

Mt Gilead

Bethel

Moriah

Eder

Hebron

Gerar

Shur

Beersheba

Kadash

# Jacob's Final Journey



Beirut

Damascus

Amman

Jerusalem

Goshen

Cairo

# Jacob's Final Journey

- Jacob was sent out from here by Isaac to journey to Padan Aram (Laban)
- Now Jacob returns one last time
- He is leaving the land of his fathers

# Jacob's Fears?

- His father was told NOT to go down to Egypt - **Genesis 26:2**
- How can Jacob NOT have fear?
- The Knowledge of God will keep you from fear
  - **If you fear God you'll fear nothing else**
  - **Proverbs 3:19-26**

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- <sup>2</sup> And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here am I.
- <sup>3</sup> And he said, I am God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation:

**Genesis 46:2-3**

# Genesis 46

4 I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up again: and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.

**Genesis 46:4**

# Jacob's Journey

- He has spent most of his life providing for himself
- Process of life vs. Purpose of Life
- Now God is going to make him a great nation
- Jacob has done nothing to “earn” this privilege...
- Now God has provided it

# Genesis 46

<sup>5</sup> And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

**Genesis 46:5**

# Genesis 46

<sup>6</sup> And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him:

<sup>7</sup> His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.

**Genesis 46:6-7**

# Genesis 46

<sup>8</sup> And these are the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

<sup>9</sup> And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Carmi.

<sup>10</sup> And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.

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- <sup>11</sup> And the sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.
- <sup>12</sup> And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zerah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.
- <sup>13</sup> And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and Phuvah, and Job, and Shimron.
- <sup>14</sup> And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.

# Genesis 46

<sup>15</sup> These be the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters were thirty and three.

<sup>16</sup> And the sons of Gad; Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, and Arodi, and Areli.

<sup>17</sup> And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.

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- 18 These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.
- 19 The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.
- 20 And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.

**Genesis 46:18-20**

# Genesis 46

21 And the sons of Benjamin were Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard.

22 These are the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the souls were fourteen.

23 And the sons of Dan; Hushim.

24 And the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.

# Genesis 46

<sup>25</sup> These are the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and she bare these unto Jacob: all the souls were seven.

<sup>26</sup> All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were threescore and six;

<sup>27</sup> And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, were two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, were threescore and ten.

# An Error?

- Critics try to claim we have an error in the text because we have 3 different numbers given of how many went down to Egypt.
- Here (v26) we are told 66
- Verse 27 gives us a total of 70
- In the NT Stephen (in Acts 7) gives us 75!

<sup>14</sup> Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, and all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls.

**Acts 7:14**

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  - *see also Exodus 1:5 and Deuteronomy 10:22 where we are also given 70.*

# An Error?

- The common ‘scholarly’ approach to resolving this is to take the Septuagint translation
  - The Septuagint was a Greek translation of the Old Testament – purportedly translated from Hebrew into Greek around 270 BC by 70 Jewish scholars
- This actually has an additional 5 names not listed in the Genesis account
- ...thus reconciling it with Stephen’s statement in Acts 7

# An Error?

- However, this inevitably leads to the conclusion that there must be an error in the Hebrew Masoretic text!
  - not only in Genesis 46:26-27, but also in Exodus 1:5 and Deuteronomy 10:22.
- These “missing five names” are recorded in 1 Chronicles 7:14-21, being Machir, the son of Manasseh, Machir’s son Gilead, Ephraim’s two sons, Tahan and Shuthelah, along with his son Eran.

# An Error?

- However, if this were true, it means that Stephen was quoting from the Septuagint!
- *“Is it really reasonable or likely that Stephen (having been dragged in before the Sanhedrin by a mob and now in the middle of a Spirit-filled address before the very men who had caused the death of his Lord – while speaking as a Hebrew to the Hebrews) would have quoted from a GREEK Old Testament manuscript of Genesis in which five names had been added in violation of the Hebrew laws governing Scripture transmission? We trow not!*

# An Error?

- *“Deuteronomy 4:2, 12:32; Psalm 12:6-7 and Proverbs 30:6 all declare to neither add nor subtract from God’s Word.*
- *Are we to suppose that Stephen is going to convert the Sanhedrin who have already crucified Christ and/or possibly save his own life by quoting to them from a verse that added five names to the Scriptures which they used in the synagogue every Sabbath? No small wonder they killed him! They would have looked on him as a perverter of Scripture. Such an act is not that which is recorded in the account.*
  - *The Chronology of the Old Testament”, Dr Floyd Nolen Jones*

# An Error?

- *“They slew Stephen for confronting them with the person of the Lord Jesus – that He was Christ indeed and, rather than receive Him as such, they had murdered Him as their father’s had done to His predecessors, the prophets (Acts 7:51-53)!”*
- *They were further enraged by Stephen’s call to repentance and his accusation that they had broken the Law, **Never** is there any suggestion that their rage resulted from consternation over Stephen’s having perverted the Scriptures.*

# An Error?

- So we have to reject the scholarly explanation to this conundrum,
- But how then are we to reconcile this apparent discrepancy?
- *“Here is a straightforward example of scholars placing the Septuagint on a level equal to, yes – at times even above – the Hebrew text. But such recourse is totally unwarranted.*
- *All that is required is to begin with faith in God’s many promises that He would preserve His Word – Forever! Then careful prudent examination will expose that there is no real contradiction at all.*

# The Seventy

- The seventy souls referred to in Genesis 46:26-27 (and Ex 1:5 / Deut10:22) we are clearly told was the 66 that travelled to Egypt with Jacob, Jacob himself, and Joseph with his two sons (Manasseh and Ephraim);
- $66 + 1 + 3 = 70$ .
- All of these comprise “the house of Jacob” (Gen 46:27).

# Dividing of the Nations

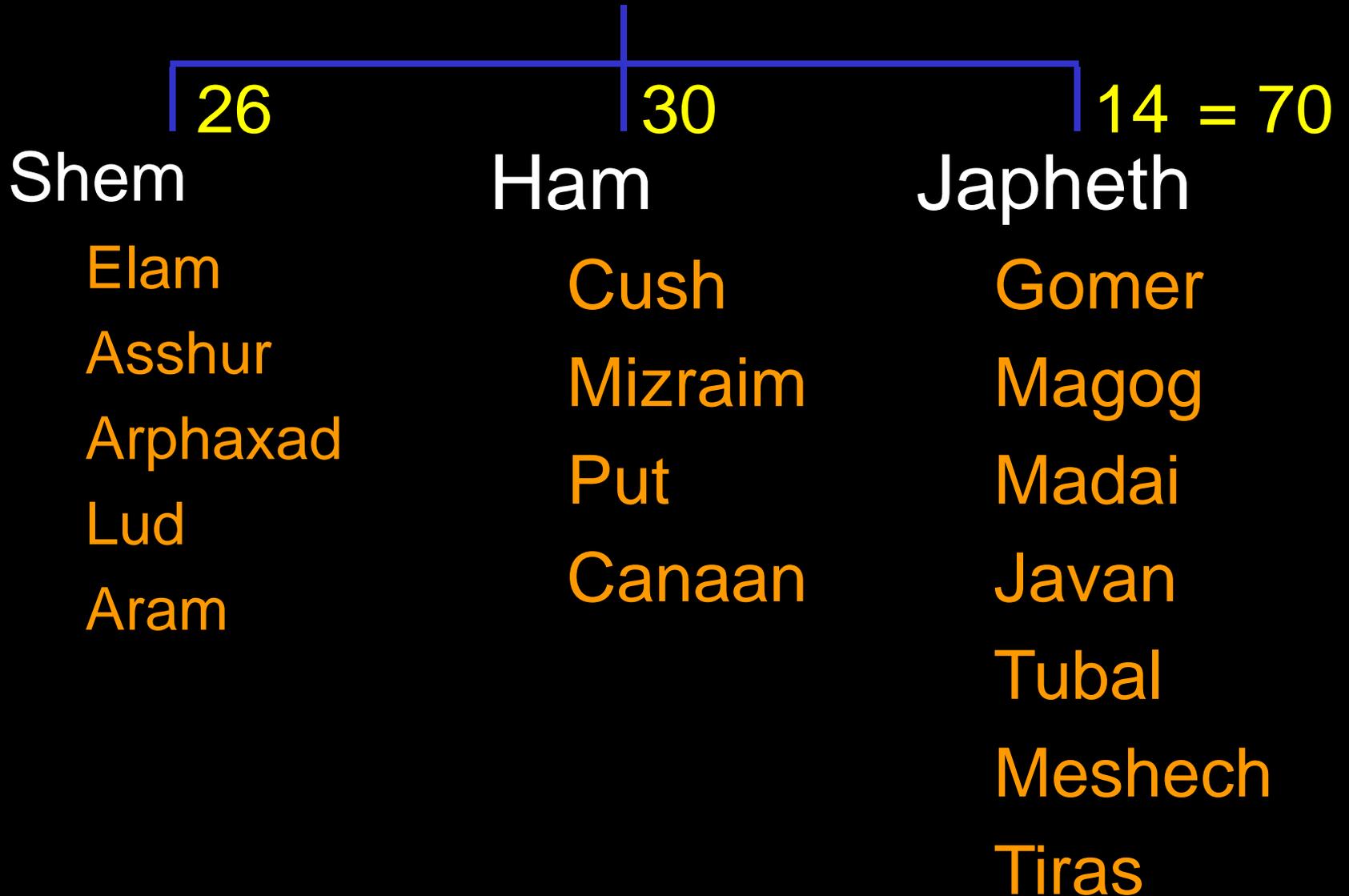
<sup>8</sup>When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.

**Deut 32:8**

**Deut 10:22** 70 children of Jacob go to Egypt

**Gen 10** 70 nations comprising the world's families

# Noah



# The Seventy Five

- As to the “75”, Jones comments:
- *Stephen is neither mistaken nor is he citing from the LXX when he gives the number as 75. He is speaking of a different entity which he calls Jacob’s “kindred.” The terms “house of Jacob” and “kindred”, though similar, are not synonymous.*
- *As we have shown, the “house of Jacob” numbered 70, and it consisted of only Jacob as well as “his seed” – those who were said to have “come from his loins”.*

# The Seventy Five

- As to the “75”, Jones comments:
- *However, Jacob’s “kindred” that Joseph “sent” for to come “to him” (Acts 7:14) are the 66 already cited plus the wives of his sons that come down to Egypt with their father.*
- *Moreover, in Genesis 46:26 we are given the clue that these wives are the key to differentiating between the “70” and the “75”.*
- *There we read that the 66 souls came with Jacob down to Egypt: “besides Jacob’s sons’ wives”.*

# The Seventy Five

- As to the “75”, Jones comments:
- *These daughters-in-law were not included as having to do with the “house of Jacob” (Gen 46:26) which numbered only those “who came out of his loins”, but they are part of Jacob’s “kindred” that Joseph sent for.*
- *Now Jacob had 12 sons (Gen 35:22). To determine how many of their wives went down to Egypt, we simply take the 75 “kindred”, subtract the 66 who came from Jacob’s loins (as they are included in the “kindred”) and obtain 9 rather than 12.*

# The Seventy Five

- As to the “75”, Jones comments:
- *That is, 9 of the 75 “kindred” that came to Egypt with Jacob did not come from his loins, and Gen 46:26 has already alerted us to the fact that they are the sons’ wives.*
- *Therefore, 3 of the 12 sons’ wives ( $12 - 9 = 3$ ) were not numbered in the “kindred”.*

# The Seventy Five

- As to the “75”, Jones comments:
- *Of course, we must immediately exclude Joseph’s wife for she was already in Egypt and thus was not “sent” for (Acts 7:14). This accounts for one of the three.*
- *A second is found earlier in Genesis 38:12 where we learn that Judah’s wife had died previously.*
- *Thus, one of the other sons must also have been a widower. We may deduce that it was almost certainly Simeon as special attention is called to the fact that Shaul, his youngest son, was by a Canaanitess (Gen 46:10).*

# The Seventy Five

- In conclusion, Dr Jones states:
- *“Manifestly, the LXX that is today extant has been proven spurious, for Manasseh and Ephraim are far too young to be fathers when Joseph’s “kindred” went down to Egypt – much less grandfathers!*
- *The reading in the LXX is grossly untenable.*

# The Seventy Five

- In conclusion, Dr Jones states:
- *Thus the “five missing names” in the Hebrew text at Genesis 46:20 (Machir, the son of Manasseh, Machir’s son Gilead, Ephraim’s two sons, Tahan and Shuthelah, along with his son Eran) are seen to have been interpolated by conjecture from Genesis 50:23 and Numbers 26:29, 35-36 (vv. 33, 39 and 40 in the LXX). The author of the LXX has tried to force Gen 46:20 to conform to Acts 7:14. This shows that the LXX in use today was not written BC, and its editor had a NT before him as he wrote.*

# The Seventy Five

- In conclusion, Dr Jones states:
- *The painfully obvious conclusion before us is that - by not grasping the true explanation of the 66, 70 and 75 – the translator of the Septuagint tried to “correct” what he perceived as a “scribal error” in the Hebrew text.*
- *In so doing, he created one!*

# Genesis 46

28 And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.

29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

30 And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou art yet alive.

# Genesis 46

- 31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and shew Pharaoh, and say unto him, My brethren, and my father's house, which were in the land of Canaan, are come unto me;
- 32 And the men are shepherds, for their trade hath been to feed cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.
- 33 And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, What is your occupation?

# Genesis 46

34 That ye shall say, Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now, both we, and also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

**Genesis 46:34**



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# A Temporary Residence In Egypt

## Chapter 47

# Genesis 47

- <sup>1</sup> Then Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they are in the land of Goshen.
- <sup>2</sup> And he took some of his brethren, even five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

**Genesis 47:1-2**

# Genesis 47

<sup>3</sup> And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, What is your occupation? And they said unto Pharaoh, Thy servants are shepherds, both we, and also our fathers.

<sup>4</sup> They said moreover unto Pharaoh, For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen.

**Genesis 47:3-4**

# Genesis 47

<sup>5</sup> And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:

<sup>6</sup> The land of Egypt is before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle.

**Genesis 47:5-6**

# Genesis 47

<sup>7</sup> And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

<sup>8</sup> And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How old art thou?

<sup>9</sup> And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

<sup>10</sup> And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

# The Evil Years of Jacob?

- 70 years under the domination of Esau
- 20 years in Haran struggling with Laban
- 15 years in Shechem struggling with the men of the city and his son Reuben
  - 35+ years separated from his father
- 3 years in the Promised Land with Joseph struggling with his own sons
- 22 years of separation from Joseph

# The Evil Years of Jacob?

- Jacob (heal catcher) is no doubt tired of providing from himself – taking a burden that was not his
- The Benefit of Resting in the provision of God – the place where we all should be
- David's advice to Solomon...

# Instruction For Life

- <sup>3</sup> For I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of my mother.
- <sup>4</sup> He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.
- <sup>5</sup> Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.
- <sup>6</sup> Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee.

**Proverbs 4:3-10**

# Instruction For Life

- <sup>7</sup> Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
- <sup>8</sup> Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.
- <sup>9</sup> She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.
- <sup>10</sup> Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life shall be many.

**Proverbs 4:3-10**

# Genesis 47

- <sup>11</sup> And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, 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 nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to their families.

**Genesis 47:11-12**

# Genesis 47

<sup>13</sup> And there was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very sore, so that the land of Egypt and all the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.

<sup>14</sup> And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

**Genesis 47:13-14**

# Genesis 47

<sup>15</sup> And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

<sup>16</sup> And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail.

**Genesis 47:15-16**

# Genesis 47

<sup>17</sup> And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them bread in exchange for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year.

<sup>18</sup> When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said unto him, We will not hide it from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

# Genesis 47

<sup>19</sup> Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give us seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.

<sup>20</sup> And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.

# Genesis 47

21 And as for the people, he removed them to cities from one end of the borders of Egypt even to the other end thereof.

22 Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had a portion assigned them of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands.

**Genesis 47:21-22**

# Promises Fulfilled

- Those who bless Israel are being blessed
- Israel is becoming a great Nation

# Genesis 47

<sup>23</sup> Then Joseph said unto the people, Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, here is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

<sup>24</sup> And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give the fifth part unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones.

# Genesis 47

**25** And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants.

**26** And Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth part; except the land of the priests only, which became not Pharaoh's.

**Genesis 47:25-26**

# Genesis 47

<sup>27</sup> And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

<sup>28</sup> And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

**Genesis 47:27-28**

# Genesis 47

<sup>29</sup> And the time drew nigh that Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt:

<sup>30</sup> But I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their buryingplace. And he said, I will do as thou hast said.

<sup>31</sup> And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

# Jacob Request

- Jacob's desire is to "lie with my fathers"
  - Genesis 46:4 Promise / 15:13 (400 yrs)?
- To be buried in the Cave of Machpelah (Gen 23)
- Burial place of:
  - Abraham (Gen 25:9)
  - Isaac, Rebekah and Jacob's wife Leah (Gen 49:29-31)
  - Jacob (Gen 50:13)



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