



# LightHouse Ranch Bible Study

## Faith in the Inheritance of the Abrahamic Covenant – Part II

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## Faith in the Inheritance of the Abrahamic Covenant – Part II – [Hebrews 11:22](#) Who Can Rouse Up the Lion of the Tribe of Judah?

The Book of Genesis (while beginning everything but not ending anything) ends with a prophecy given by God through Jacob. The predictions of this prophecy, given a long time ago, are absolutely astonishing, but are a stumbling stone to those who do not study God's Word. This prophecy contains short term prophecy having been fulfilled, long-term prophecy that we know will be fulfilled because the short-term prophecies were completely fulfilled exactly as predicted. We need to interpret this prophecy as God meant it: ([II Peter 1:13-21](#))

This Word from the LORD also contains a double reference prophecy that many only interested in the "here and now" will not understand, any more than the Pharisees and Sadducees did while Christ was on earth ([Matthew 22:23-46](#)) The prophecy given in [Genesis 49:10](#), that Judah's "sceptre will never depart from him nor the law giver from beneath his feet until Shilo come", has dumbfounded many for 2500 years. They say something along this line, Since the king's line in Jerusalem was removed by God ([Jeremiah 22:28-30](#)), and Shilo has not come, we are faced with a crisis in Bible prophecy. We will study this today and I'm sure that it will be clear that God is giving an eternal double reference through His servant Jacob, that only God could deliver and His Word can never be broken. ([John 10:321-38](#)) - **This is why Judah's wicked lifestyle interrupted that of Joseph's narrative in taking over chapter 38.**

### I. Before Jacob's Death - Jacob prophecies over his 12 sons

[Genesis 49:1](#) And Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the last days.

[Genesis 49:2](#) Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your father.

#### A. Firstborn first, Reuben – Birthright lost: Inheritance to Joseph, Dominion to Judah

[Genesis 49:3](#) Reuben, thou art my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

[Genesis 49:4](#) Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou it: he went up to my couch.

1. Reuben was firstborn and as the inheritance goes, Reuben should have been Jacob's might and the beginning of his strength. But Reuben had already forfeited his firstborn birthright (birthright, which later on in the Law would be a double portion), went to Joseph's 2 sons:

[I Chronicles 5:1](#) Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he was the firstborn; but, forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.

[[Genesis 35:1-2](#) – Jacob fled because Esau wanted to kill him over the birthright]

2. Joseph prophecies that the tribe of Reuben will be unstable as water and will not excel.
3. Reuben's birthright was given to the sons of Joseph - the right of the first-born, as later in the Law, was given a double portion [Deuteronomy 21:17](#). This was conferred on Joseph, both by the will of Jacob [Genesis 48:22](#) and later in Canaan [Joshua 16-17](#). But the birthright (material privileges) passed to Joseph
4. The birthright of family dominion fell to Judah; **from whom came the chief ruler**, ([Vs. 9-12](#)) a prophecy referring to David and ultimately the Messiah, the true "Ruler" of Israel [Micah 5:2](#).

**This prophecy tells us that this land inheritance is only a type of the Kingdom.**

5. The Tribe of **Reuben did not excel** – No references of judges, kings, or prophets from Reuben.

### B. Simeon and Levi next – God desires obedient people who desire Him

**Genesis 49:5** Simeon and Levi are brethren; instruments of cruelty are in their habitations.

**Genesis 49:6** O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a man, and in their selfwill they digged down a wall.

**Genesis 49:7** Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.

1. Simeon and Levi, Joseph's second and third born sons, their blessing together because they together they orchestrated the terror attack on the Hagarites. [[Genesis 34:25-29](#)]
2. Joseph prophesied "cursed be their anger"
3. Jacob prophesied God would scatter them in Israel. (But **Levi's scattering was a blessing**)
4. It appears this really hit the Tribe of Simeon.
  - a.) The Tribe of Simeon was 3<sup>rd</sup> largest, but 35 years later the smallest [[Numbers 1:23](#); [26:14](#)]
  - b.) The Tribe of Simeon **later shared Judah's inheritance of land** [[Joshua 19:1](#)]
  - c.) The Tribe **of Levi stood with Moses at the golden calf**, so they were scattered as a blessing! God was their inheritance; they had no land [[Exodus 32:26-28](#); [Joshua 13:33](#)]

### C. Now Judah

**Genesis 49:8** Judah, thou art he whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand shall be in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee.

**This is a glimpse of the LORD Jesus, the supreme sacrifice, who came from the Tribe of Judah; in fact, in Genesis 44, Judah speaks as a "type of Christ", when Joseph's cup was found in Benjamin's sack:**

**Genesis 44:18** 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.

**Genesis 44:19** My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a brother?

**Genesis 44:20** 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.

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

**Genesis 44:22** And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die.

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

**Genesis 44:24** And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord.

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

**Genesis 44:26** 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.

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

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

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

**Genesis 44:30** 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;

**Genesis 44:31** 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.

**Genesis 44:32** 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.

**Genesis 44:33** 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.

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**Genesis 49:9** Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?

1). Jesus is called, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the root of David:

**Revelation 5:5** And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

**This is further explained when King Balak of Moab was afraid of Israel's camp next to Moab**

a.) Balaam tells God what Balak had conveyed to Balaam about Moab:

**Numbers 22:10** And Balaam said unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me, saying,

**Numbers 22:11** Behold, there is a people come out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come now, curse me them; peradventure I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.

**b.) After a talk with God, Balaam tells Balak that he will give God's Words:**

**Numbers 23:8** How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy, whom the LORD hath not defied?

**Numbers 23:9** For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations.

**Numbers 23:10** Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!

**c.) Now let's see this prophecy about Israel rising up as a Lion – The Lion of Judah**

**Numbers 23:24** Behold, the people shall rise up as a great lion, and lift up himself as a young lion: he shall not lie down until he eat of the prey, and drink the blood of the slain.

**Numbers 23:25** And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all.

**Numbers 23:26** But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee, saying, All that the LORD speaketh, that I must do?

**Genesis 49:10** The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

**Many Jews and Christians alike have had a problem with this Passage, probably because it does not fit their eisegesis of the doctrines concerning the Kingdom. In this case, we might call the process "narcigesis", where the so-called interpreter is not only imposing his own thoughts, but himself or his own kind is being imposed into Scripture. The installing of the King of the world has always been assigned by the Father to His Son, Jesus Christ, by decree. (Psalm 2:6-8); but People have stated that the Passage is "a crisis of prophecy in Scripture!" Let's squash this fallacy of interpretation for good. I pray this section will bolster our faith in God and His holy Word that he exalts above all his name. (Psalm 138:2); and as Jesus said: The Scripture cannot be broken (John 10:35)**

**2.) The throne and sceptre is everlasting and is God's – What King is referenced in Psalm 45?**

**Psalm 45:6** Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

**Psalm 45:7** Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

**Psalm 45:8** All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

**3.) Let's learn more about this King that loves righteousness and hatest wickedness**

**Psalm 45:9** Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.

**Psalm 45:10** Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;

**Psalm 45:11** So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord; and worship thou him.

**Psalm 45:12** And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.

**Psalm 45:13** The king's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold.

**Psalm 45:14** She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.

**Psalm 45:15** With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.

**Psalm 45:16** Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.

**Psalm 45:17** I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever.

**4.) God establishes the kingdom of David – Is this describing a kingdom of mortal Kings?**

**II Samuel 7:4** And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan, saying,

**II Samuel 7:5** Go and tell my servant David, Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou build me an house for me to dwell in?

**II Samuel 7:6** Whereas I have not dwelt in any house since the time that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle.

**II Samuel 7:7** In all the places wherein I have walked with all the children of Israel spake I a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, Why build ye not me an house of cedar?

**II Samuel 7:8** Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel:

**II Samuel 7:9** And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great men that are in the earth.

**II Samuel 7:10** Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

**II Samuel 7:11** And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.

**II Samuel 7:12** And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

**II Samuel 7:13** He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

**II Samuel 7:14** I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:

**II Samuel 7:15** But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

**II Samuel 7:16** And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

**II Samuel 7:17** According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

**5.) Did David understand this Kingdom to be Christ's? – Let's see what he said to God afterward:**

**II Samuel 7:18** Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?

**II Samuel 7:19** And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. And is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?

**II Samuel 7:20** And what can David say more unto thee? for thou, Lord GOD, knowest thy servant.

**II Samuel 7:21** For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all these great things, to make thy servant know them.

**II Samuel 7:22** Wherefore thou art great, O LORD God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

**II Samuel 7:23** And what one nation in the earth is like thy people, even like Israel, whom God went to redeem for a people to himself, and to make him a name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for thy land, before thy people, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, from the nations and their gods?

**II Samuel 7:24** For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel to be a people unto thee for ever: and thou, LORD, art become their God.

**II Samuel 7:25** And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and concerning his house, establish it for ever, and do as thou hast said.

**II Samuel 7:26** And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.

**II Samuel 7:27** For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, hast revealed to thy servant, saying, I will build thee an house: therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto thee.

**II Samuel 7:28** And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:

**II Samuel 7:29** Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken it: and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.

**6.) Could the everlasting Kingdom go to a man-made lower than the angels? (Psalm 8:4-6)**

**Hebrews 1:1** God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

**Hebrews 1:2** Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

**Hebrews 1:3** Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

**Hebrews 1:4** Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

**Hebrews 1:5** For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?

**Hebrews 1:6** And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.

**Hebrews 1:7** And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.

**Hebrews 1:8** But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

**Hebrews 1:9** Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

**Hebrews 1:10** And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:

**Hebrews 1:11** They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

**Hebrews 1:12** And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

**Hebrews 1:13** But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?



**Hebrews 1:14** Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

**7.) Now, the kingdom was torn down, God removed the earthly kingdom of the line of David:**

**Jeremiah 22:28** Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol? is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

**Jeremiah 22:29** O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

**Jeremiah 22:30** Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

**8.) Is this the end of the line of David? – Before God does anything He prophesies (**Amos 3:7**)**

**Isaiah 11:1** And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

**Isaiah 11:2** And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

**Isaiah 11:3** And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

**Isaiah 11:4** But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

**9.) Now, does this sound like the gathering the people around this King? – Jews and Gentiles**

**Isaiah 11:10** And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

**Isaiah 11:11** And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

**Isaiah 11:12** And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

**Isaiah 11:13** The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.

**Isaiah 11:14** But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil them of the east together: they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon shall obey them.

**Isaiah 11:15** And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make men go over dryshod.

**Isaiah 11:16** And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

**10.) This “Branch” will build God’s house in the Millennium:**

**Zechariah 6:12** And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD:

**Zechariah 6:13** Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.

(See [Amos 9:11-15](#) and [Acts 15:7-18](#))



**Now, Back to Judah's Prophecy that was interrupted**

**Genesis 49:11** Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:

**Genesis 49:12** His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.

**11.) Here is a prophecy of Christ at His Second Advent treading the winepress of God's wrath:**

**Isaiah 63:1** Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

**Isaiah 63:2** Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat?

**Isaiah 63:3** I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.

**Isaiah 63:4** For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.

**Isaiah 63:5** And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.

**Isaiah 63:6** And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.

**Isaiah 63:7** I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, and the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his lovingkindnesses.

**Isaiah 63:8** For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was their Saviour.

**12.) We see this again in the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter of Revelation**

**Revelation 14:18** And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

**Revelation 14:19** And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

**Revelation 14:20** And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

**13.) And again in Revelation 19 at the Second Advent:**

**Revelation 19:15** And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

**Revelation 19:16** And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

**Revelation 19:17** And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

**Revelation 19:18** That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.

**Revelation 19:19** And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

**Revelation 19:20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

#### **D. Zebulun's turn – Haven of the Sea, and a haven for ships**

**Genesis 49:13** Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zidon.

#### **Zebulun's prophecy came true as he obtained his lot**

**Joshua 19:10** And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:

**Joshua 19:11** And their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the river that is before Jokneam;

#### **E. Issachar**

**Genesis 49:14** Issachar is a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

**Genesis 49:15** And he saw that rest was good, and the land that it was pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute.

#### **F. Dan**

**Genesis 49:16** Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.

**Genesis 49:17** Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.

**Genesis 49:18** I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.

#### **G. Gad**

**Genesis 49:19** Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

#### **H. Asher**

**Genesis 49:20** Out of Asher his bread shall be fat, and he shall yield royal dainties.

#### **I. Naphtali**

**Genesis 49:21** Naphtali is a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.

#### **J. Joseph**

**Genesis 49:22** Joseph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well; whose branches run over the wall:

**Genesis 49:23** The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot at him, and hated him:

**Genesis 49:24** But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob; (from thence is the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)

**Genesis 49:25** Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

**Genesis 49:26** The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

#### **K. Benjamin**

**Genesis 49:27** Benjamin shall ravin as a wolf: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil.

**Genesis 49:28** All these are the twelve tribes of Israel: and this is it that their father spake unto them, and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

### **II. At Jacob's death – Jacob again demonstrates faith in the Abrahamic Covenant**

**Genesis 49:29** And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite,

**Genesis 49:30** In the cave that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace.

**Genesis 49:31** There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah.

**Genesis 49:32** The purchase of the field and of the cave that is therein was from the children of Heth.

#### **A. Jacob gives up the ghost**

**Genesis 49:33** And when Jacob had made an end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.

#### **B. Joseph mourns for his dad**

**Genesis 50:1** And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him.

**Genesis 50:2** And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.

**Genesis 50:3** And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed: and the Egyptians mourned for him threescore and ten days.

#### **C. Joseph speaks to the Pharaoh**

**Genesis 50:4** And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,

**Genesis 50:5** My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me in the land of Canaan, there shalt thou bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again.

**Genesis 50:6** And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear.

#### **D. Joseph buries his dad**

**Genesis 50:7** And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,

**Genesis 50:8** And all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen.

**Genesis 50:9** And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great company.

**Genesis 50:10** And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which is beyond Jordan, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: and he made a mourning for his father seven days.

**Genesis 50:11** And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, This is a grievous mourning to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it was called Abel-mizraim, which is beyond Jordan.

**Genesis 50:12** And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:

**Genesis 50:13** For his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field for a possession of a buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

**Genesis 50:14** And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

### **III. After Jacob's Death - Joseph's brethren are afraid of Joseph again**

**Genesis 50:15** And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.

**Genesis 50:16** And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying,

**Genesis 50:17** So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when they spake unto him.

**Genesis 50:18** And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we be thy servants.

**A. Joseph teaches his brethren again**

**Genesis 50:19** And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God?

**Genesis 50:20** But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

**Genesis 50:21** Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

**B. The Death of Joseph and the oath – Joseph demonstrating faith in the covenant again**

**Genesis 50:22** And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

**Genesis 50:23** And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up upon Joseph's knees.

**Genesis 50:24** And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

**Genesis 50:25** And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

**Genesis 50:26** So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

