



LightHouse Ranch Bible Study

Faith in the Inheritance of the Abrahamic Covenant – Part I

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Covenant with Abraham	Covenant Extensions
Promise of a National Land – (Land-Kingdom) Genesis 12:1-3; 13:14-18	Palestinian Covenant – Eternally regather scattered Israel and, circumcise their heart (Cut out the flesh) Deuteronomy 30:3-5; Ezekiel 36:16-38
Promise of Numerous Descendants – A Great Nation – (Seed-King) Genesis 12:3; 13:16;17:1-22	Davidic Covenant – David’s Seed on the throne of Israel forever II Samuel 7:1-16; Jeremiah 33:19-26; 31:35-37; Exodus 3:15
Promise that God will bless the world through Abraham– (World-wide Blessing through Abraham-Israel and church) Genesis 12:3; 22:1-19	New Covenant – To Israel & Judah, No psychology, Law written in the heart, all will know God Jeremiah 31:31-40; Hebrews 8:1-13; Luke 1:26-38; Amos 9:11-15; Acts 15
<b style="color: red;">Christ and the Gentiles – Scripture with foresight preached the Gospel to Abraham <b style="color: blue;">Galatians 3 Interprets the Abrahamic Covenant in the New Testament Galatians 3:6 Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. Galatians 3:7 Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. Galatians 3:8 And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed. Galatians 3:9 So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham. Galatians 3:29 <b style="color: red;">And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.	

I. God is faithful according to His Covenant

A. We read how after being deceived by Rebekah and Jacob, Isaac blessed Jacob:

[Genesis 28:1](#) And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

Genesis 28:2 Arise, go to Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.

Genesis 28:3 And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;

Genesis 28:4 And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.

Genesis 28:5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

B. Now, Jacob obeyed his father, but Esau did not:

[Genesis 28:6](#) When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan;

Genesis 28:7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;

Genesis 28:8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father;

Genesis 28:9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

C. We Read how God dealt with Jacob when he obeyed and left Padan-Aram:

[Genesis 35:6](#) So Jacob came to Luz, which is in the land of Canaan, that is, Beth-el, he and all the people that were with him.

Genesis 35:7 And he built there an altar, and called the place El-beth-el: because there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

Genesis 35:8 But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak: and the name of it was called Allon-bachuth.

Genesis 35:9 And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

Genesis 35:10 And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel.

Genesis 35:11 And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins;

Genesis 35:12 And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.

Genesis 35:13 And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

Genesis 35:14 And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, even a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.

Genesis 35:15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Beth-el.

D. God also preserved Jacob's family even when they were destroying themselves:

[Genesis 45:1](#) 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.

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

Genesis 45:3 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.

Genesis 45:4 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.

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

Genesis 45:6 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.

Genesis 45:7 And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

Genesis 45:8 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.

Genesis 45:9 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:

Genesis 45:10 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:

Genesis 45:11 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.

II. God preserves Jacob's Family through the World-wide Famine – Type of the Great Tribulation

A. Joseph introduces his family to the Pharaoh

[Genesis 47:1](#) 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.

Genesis 47:2 And he took some of his brethren, even five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

Genesis 47:3 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.

Genesis 47:4 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 47:5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:

Genesis 47:6 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.

B. Joseph introduces Jacob to the Pharaoh

[Genesis 47:7](#) And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

Genesis 47:8 And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How old art thou?

Genesis 47:9 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.

Genesis 47:10 And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

C. So, Jacob's family live in the most fertile part of Egypt during the famine

[Genesis 47:11](#) 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.

Genesis 47:12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to their families.

D. The rest of the world is in deep famine for another 5 years

[Genesis 47:13](#) 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.

Genesis 47:14 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 47:15 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.

Genesis 47:16 And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail.

Genesis 47:17 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.

Genesis 47:18 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 47:19 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.

Genesis 47:20 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.

Genesis 47:22 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 47:23 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.

Genesis 47:24 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.

E. The Egyptians were saved, but lost all their cattle and land ownership – Look at the contrast

[Genesis 47:26](#) 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 47:27 And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

Genesis 47:28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

F. Jacob demonstrates great faith in the Covenant inheritance for himself

[Genesis 47:29](#) 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:**

Genesis 47:30 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.

Genesis 47:31 And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

III. Jacob blesses Joseph's first and second born – Faith in God's Covenant for his posterity

[Hebrews 11:21](#) By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.

A. The Sons of Joseph brought to Jacob

[Genesis 48:1](#) And it came to pass after these things, that one told Joseph, Behold, thy father is sick: and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

Genesis 48:2 And one told Jacob, and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto thee: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

B. Jacob tells Joseph about God's appearance to Jacob concerning the Covenant inheritance

[Genesis 48:3](#) And Jacob said unto Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me,

Genesis 48:4 And said unto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession.

C. Jacob claims Joseph's first and second sons as his own

[Genesis 48:5](#) And now thy two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, are mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

Genesis 48:6 And thy issue, which thou begettest after them, shall be thine, and shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.

Genesis 48:7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when yet there was but a little way to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; the same is Beth-lehem.

- 1.) Jacob claims Ephraim and Manasseh as his own
- 2.) His own just like Reuben and Simeon – (Jacob's first and second sons from Leah)
- 3.) Any other kids Joseph would have in the future would have inheritance of Joseph in Egypt
- 4.) Reuben's **birthright was given to the sons of Joseph:** (Birthright has to do with inheritance)

[1 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.**

1 Chronicles 5:2 For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him came the chief ruler; but the birthright was Joseph's:)

- 5.) Jacob's claim to Joseph's two sons explains why the 12 tribes are listed differently at times:
 - a.) [Revelation 7:3-8](#) – Dan is missing, (usually Levi is missing - no land inheritance)
 - b.) [Ezekiel 47:13](#) - In the Kingdom – **Joseph has 2 portions** – 14 tribes listed in [chapter 48](#) , Levi no land portion, but appointed land; Ephraim and Manasseh each have portions.
 - c.) It's always listed as 12 however, one way or another – 12 is a special number in Scripture.
 - d.) The number 12 is associated with authority in some fashion. We read of 12 tribes; 12 apostles; 12 Ismael princes; 12 pillars on Moses' altar; 12 stones on the high priest's breastplate; 12 cakes of showbread; 12 silver platters; silver bowls; and gold pans for the tabernacle service; 12 spies; 12 memorial stones; 12 governors under Solomon; 12 stones in Elijah's altar; 12 in each group of musicians and singers of Israel; 12 hours in a day; 12 months

in a year; 12 Ephesians baptized in the Holy Spirit; 12,000 from 12 tribes sealed through the tribulation; New Jerusalem has 12 gates of 12 pearls; and 12 angels at the gates; 12 foundations; each with the names of the 12 apostles of the Lamb; it's length, breadth, and height are all 12,000 furlongs; and the tree of life has 12 fruits. 12 is special to God.

6.) Isn't it amazing, that only Rachel was buried in Bethlehem? Judah's Inheritance ([Genesis 48:7](#))

D. Jacob Blesses Joseph's sons

[Genesis 48:8](#) And Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, Who are these?

Genesis 48:9 And Joseph said unto his father, They are my sons, whom God hath given me in this place. And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I will bless them.

Genesis 48:10 Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them.

Genesis 48:11 And Israel said unto Joseph, I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed.

Genesis 48:12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the earth.

Genesis 48:13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought them near unto him.

Genesis 48:14 And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the firstborn.

Genesis 48:15 And he blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day,

Genesis 48:16 The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. [Reference: [Genesis 32:30](#)]

Genesis 48:17 And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.

Genesis 48:18 And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this is the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.

Genesis 48:19 And his father refused, and said, I know it, my son, I know it: he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations.

Genesis 48:20 And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.

- 1.) Jacob's right Hand was deliberately placed on the younger Ephraim – Jacob was the younger
- 2.) This is a type of the LORD Jesus, Israel was the firstborn son of God ([Exodus 4:22-23](#)), But
- 3.) Jesus is the Only begotten Son of God, King of Kings ([John 1:18](#); [Colossians 1:15-18](#))
- 4.) The Second Man is the LORD from heaven – [I Corinthians 15:19-58](#)

E. Jacob demonstrates faith in God's Word

[Genesis 48:21](#) And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.

Genesis 48:22 Moreover I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

New Testament Commentary on Genesis [Hebrews 10:23](#); [11:1-21](#); [12:1-17](#)

III. Joseph one of the most obvious types of Christ's both Advents

First points in the study of Joseph as a Type of Christ	
Joseph	Jesus
Was well beloved of the father. Genesis 37:3-4	The Father's Beloved Son in Whom He is well pleased - Matthew 17:5
Sent by his father, he left his father's house to see his brethren. Genesis 37:12-14	Sent by His Father, He left his father's house to see his brethren – Galatians 4:4
Rejected by his brethren – Didn't want him to rule over them - Genesis 37:7-12	Rejected by His brethren – John 19:15 , John 1:10-11
His brethren hated him for who he was, a revealer of secrets, and for his words Genesis 37:8	His brethren hated Him for Who He Is, revealer of secrets, as well as His Words. John 5:18 ; John 7:7-21 ; John 8:40
Cast into an empty pit with no water – a pit of death – but raised out again - Genesis 37:20-28	Suffer many things of the elders ... and be killed, and be raised again the third day. – Matthew 20:19 ; Mark 10:34 ; Luke 18:33
Sold for 20 pieces of silver – Genesis 37:28	Sold for 30 pieces of silver – Matthew 26:14-16 ; Zechariah 11.12-13
Sent into exile, but after many cruel trials was finally exalted to the right hand of Pharaoh in Egypt – Genesis 41:39-43	Endured the cross, despised the shame, and exalted to the right hand of The Father – Hebrews 12:2
Was given a new name as he became ruler Zaphnath-paaneah "revealer of secrets" Genesis 41:45	He will have a new name known only to himself when He sets up His kingdom – Revelation 3:12
And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat - Genesis 37:23	They took his garments...and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout - John 19:23-24

Joseph as a picture of Jesus List

1. Was a shepherd.
2. Loved by his father.
3. Sent unto his brethren.
4. Hated by his brothers.
5. Prophesied his coming glory.
6. Rejected by his brothers.
7. Endured unjust punishment from his brothers.
8. Sentenced to the pit.
9. Delivered to the pit, though a leader knew he should go free.
10. Sold for pieces of silver.
11. Handed over to the Gentiles.
12. Regarded as dead, but raised out of the pit.
13. Went to Egypt.
14. Made a servant.
15. Tempted severely, but did not sin.
16. Falsely accused.
17. Made no defense.
18. Cast into prison, and numbered with sinners and criminals.
19. Endured unjust punishment from Gentiles.

20. Associated with two other criminals; one is pardoned and one is not.
21. Showed compassion.
22. Brought a message of deliverance in prison.
23. Wanted to be remembered.
24. Shown to have divine wisdom.
25. Recognized as having the Spirit of God.
26. Betrayed by friends.
27. Glorified after his humility.
28. Honored among Gentiles while still despised or forgotten by his brethren.
29. Given a Gentile bride.
30. Was 30 years old when he began his life's work.
31. Blessed the world with bread.
32. Became the only source of bread for the world.
33. The world was instructed to go to him and do whatever he said to do.
34. Was given the name "God Speaks and He Lives."
35. His brethren were driven out of their own land.
36. In his second appearing, he did not first go to his brothers; they came to him.
37. He knew his brethren even while unknown and unrecognized by them.
38. He blessed his brethren without their knowledge.
39. He wanted *all* of his brethren to come to him.
40. There was a significant time gap between his initial relationship with his brothers and his second relationship to his brothers.
41. He his brothers a way of deliverance through substitution.
42. His "second coming" to his brothers had two appearances. He made himself known to his brethren at his second appearing to them.
43. He was revealed as a man of compassion.
44. His brothers repented of rejecting him, with great wonder and tears.
45. He allowed no fellowship (as in eating together) until his brothers repented and he revealed himself.
46. His brethren went forth to proclaim his glory.
47. He made provision for his brethren.
48. He prepared a place for his brethren, and he received them into it.
49. He brought Jew and Gentile together in the land.