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The End of "In The Beginning"

Genesis 49:28 – 50:26

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- 29 this has already been commanded in 47:30
 “the cave that is in the field of Machpelah”- dating all the way back to Genesis 23:9
 31 “there I buried Leah”- he does not call her “wife” as Moses does of Rachel in 46:19
 33 “and was gathered to his people”- VERY interesting expression for life after death

Genesis 50:1-14

- 3 “seventy days”- for perspective on Jacob’s importance, a pharaoh would be mourned 72 days
10 “threshing floor of Atad, beyond the Jordan”- this is an odd route to take to get there- it is the way
of the wilderness journey 400 years later!

Note: This is the most elaborate detail we receive about any one man's funeral in the Bible

Genesis 50:15-21

- 15 “Joseph will hate us”- 17 years after being reconciled they are still troubled by their sin!
Luther- For it is not without great difficulty that the heart longs for the kindness and pardon of God, from whom it flees and turns away by nature when it feels that He has been offended by many great and enormous sins. Then it is hard to grant admittance to consolation, and it is difficult for remission to cling to the heart, no matter with how many promises and with how many signs of God's goodwill it has been confirmed. From this one can gather what a sharp poison sin is in man's nature.
- 16 “Your father gave this command”- either they are lying or the event was not recorded earlier
- 17 “Please forgive the transgression”- Does the Bible record Jacob's knowledge of what happened in ch 37?
- 19 “am I in the place of God?” Vengeance is God's alone (Rom 12:19) as a brother Joseph forgives
- 20 “God meant it for good”- even through mankind's evil God can work the salvation of many
- Luther- God causes good to result from evil, not that He wants evil to be done, but His goodness is so great even in our wickedness that He cannot do otherwise than forgive sin if the sinner sobs and implores His mercy. If this happens the sin shall be forgiven.*

Genesis 50:22-26

- 24 Either his brothers outlived him or it refers to their sons who bear the name of the tribe
25 “carry my bones from here”- this will happen in the Exodus

GENESIS QUIZ

1. On what day were the Sun, Moon, and stars created? (Gen 1)
 - a) Day One
 - b) Day Two
 - c) Day Four
 - d) a thousand year period signified by the word “day”
2. What did God place with the cherubim to guard the Tree of Life? (Gen 3)
 - a) a four-headed beast
 - b) a flaming sword
 - c) a spring of water
 - d) a bronze serpent on a pole

3. What was the name of the city where God confused the languages? (Gen 11)
 - a) Babylon
 - b) Bethel
 - c) Babel
 - d) Beersheba
4. In what chapter is the Institution of Circumcision?
 - a) Genesis 12
 - b) Genesis 15
 - c) Genesis 17
 - d) Genesis 21
5. Who was turned into a pillar of salt when she looked back towards Sodom and Gomorrah? (Gen 19)
 - a) Lot
 - b) Lot's daughter
 - c) Lot's mother
 - d) Lot's wife
6. On what mountain was Abraham told to sacrifice Isaac? (Gen 22)
 - a) Mt. Moriah
 - b) Mt. Nebo
 - c) Mt. Carmel
 - d) Mt. Hermon
7. For how many shekels of silver was Joseph sold to the Ishmaelites? (Gen 37)
 - a) 12
 - b) 20
 - c) 40
 - d) 70

Psalm 105:1-25

N: ¹Oh give thanks to YHWH; call upon his name;
 S: make known his deeds among the peoples!
 N: ²Sing to him, sing praises to him;
 S: tell of all his wondrous works!
 N: ³Glory in his holy name;
 S: let the hearts of those who seek YHWH rejoice!
 N: ⁴Seek YHWH and his strength;
 S: seek his presence continually!
 N: ⁵Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
 S: his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
 N: ⁶O offspring of Abraham, his servant,
 S: children of Jacob, his chosen ones!
 N: ⁷He is YHWH our God;
 S: his judgments are in all the earth.
 N: ⁸He remembers his covenant forever,
 S: the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,
 N: ⁹the covenant that he made with Abraham,
 S: his sworn promise to Isaac,
 N: ¹⁰which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
 S: to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
 N: ¹¹saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan
 S: as your portion for an inheritance."
 N: ¹²When they were few in number,
 S: of little account, and sojourners in it,
 N: ¹³wandering from nation to nation,
 S: from one kingdom to another people,
 N: ¹⁴he allowed no one to oppress them;

S: he rebuked kings on their account,
 N: ¹⁵saying, "Touch not my anointed ones,
 S: do my prophets no harm!"
 N: ¹⁶When he summoned a famine on the land
 S: and broke all supply of bread,
 N: ¹⁷he had sent a man ahead of them,
 S: Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
 N: ¹⁸His feet were hurt with fetters;
 S: his neck was put in a collar of iron;
 N: ¹⁹until what he had said came to pass,
 S: the word of YHWH tested him.
 N: ²⁰The king sent and released him;
 S: the ruler of the peoples set him free;
 N: ²¹he made him lord of his house
 S: and ruler of all his possessions,
 N: ²²to bind his princes at his pleasure
 S: and to teach his elders wisdom.
 N: ²³Then Israel came to Egypt;
 S: Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.
 N: ²⁴And YHWH made his people very fruitful
 S: and made them stronger than their foes.
 N: ²⁵He turned their hearts to hate his people,
 S: to deal craftily with his servants.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit
 As it was in the beginning
 is now and will be forever Amen**

