

# Genesis 46-50

Israel Settles in Egypt

# Gen 46

- Jacob worships at Beersheba
- National promise- I will make you a great nation there
- Personal promise- I Myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I Myself will also bring you up again
- Familial promise- and Joseph will close your eyes with his hand.
- V. 29- Father and son reconciled

## Gen 47

- Jacob's blessing of pharaoh
- Joseph employs his wisdom to ensure the preservation of supplies and the people
  - Inevitable exhaustion of resources- money > livestock > land > slavery

## Gen 48

- Jacob's adoption and blessing of Ephraim and Manasseh
- As Jacob the younger received the blessing instead of the older Esau, so would Ephraim and the tribe would go on to be greater than that of Manasseh

## Gen 49

- Jacob blesses his sons
  - Judah- strong and established as a lion
  - Kingship and national prominence
  - Shiloh- “peace giver”
    - The Lord Jesus
  - Awaiting a future fulfillment (consistent biblical hermeneutic)

## Gen 49- cont.

- Zebulun- important trade route
- Issachar- industrious tribe
- Dan- the tribe from whom the Judges would come
- Gad- fighters
- Asher- fruitful in agriculture
- Naphtali- military prowess
- Joseph- recounted his life as a totality with a highlight on the sovereignty and faithfulness of God
- Benjamin- the tribe that produced warriors who were skilled in archery

## Gen 50

- The brothers' fearful statement
- Joseph responds- not with condemnation but compassion
- The precision of God's sovereignty- what men mean for evil  
God uses for good