

## Find Rest in God's Plans & Provision!

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Joseph #10

- **The Lord** made an **everlasting promise** to **Abraham** (fulfilled thru Isaac, Jacob, & Joseph)
- **Joseph** was sold as a slave by his brothers, who then lied to their father Jacob.
- **Joseph**, as a slave in Egypt, was falsely accused, jailed, & forgotten.
- **The Lord** was with **Joseph** in all this, helping him **thrive & bless others**.
- **The Lord** gave **Joseph** insight to feed Egypt & others during severe famine.
- **The Lord** used the **famine** to bring Jacob's/Joseph's family **to Egypt** for healing & safety.

<sup>27</sup>...the spirit of their father Jacob **revived**. <sup>28</sup> And Israel said, "**I'm convinced!**  
My son Joseph is still alive. I will go and **see him before I die**." **Genesis 45:27-28**

<sup>1</sup> So **Jacob** (Israel) set out for Egypt with all his possessions. When he came to Beersheba, **he offered sacrifices** to the God of his father, **Isaac**. <sup>2</sup> During the night **God spoke to him** in a vision. "**Jacob! Jacob!**" he called. "Here I am," Jacob replied. <sup>3</sup> "**I am God**, the God of your father," the voice said. "**Do not be afraid** to go down to Egypt, for in Egypt **I will make your family** into a great nation. <sup>4</sup> **I will go with you** down to Egypt, and **I will bring you back again**. You will die in Egypt, but **Joseph will be with you** to close your eyes."

<sup>5</sup> So Jacob left Beersheba, and his sons took him to Egypt. They carried him and their little ones and their wives in the wagons Pharaoh had **provided for them**. <sup>6</sup> They also took all their livestock and all the personal belongings they had acquired in the land of Canaan. **So Jacob and his entire family went to Egypt**—<sup>7</sup> sons and grandsons, daughters and granddaughters—all his descendants... **Genesis 46:1-7**

<sup>28</sup>...When they arrived in the region of Goshen, <sup>29</sup> Joseph had his chariot made ready and went to meet his father Jacob (Israel). As soon as Joseph appeared before him, he **threw his arms around his father** and **wept for a long time**. <sup>30</sup> He said to Joseph, "**Now I am ready** to die, since I've seen for myself that **you are still alive**." **Genesis 46:28-30**

➤ **Follow God from** what's familiar into God's better **!**

➤ **Trust God to** overcome your fears & fulfill your dreams **!**

<sup>5</sup> **Pharaoh said to Joseph**, "Your father and brothers have come to you, <sup>6</sup> and the land of Egypt is before you; **settle them in the best part**. Let them live in Goshen. And if you know of any among them with special ability, **put them in charge** of my own livestock." <sup>7</sup> Then **Joseph brought his father Jacob** in and presented him before Pharaoh. After Jacob blessed Pharaoh, <sup>8</sup> Pharaoh asked him, "How old are you?" <sup>9</sup> And Jacob said, "The years of **my pilgrimage** are a hundred and thirty. My years have been few and difficult, and they do not equal the years of the pilgrimage of my fathers." <sup>10</sup> Then Jacob blessed Pharaoh and went out from his presence.

<sup>11</sup> So Joseph **settled** his father and brothers in Egypt and **gave them property** in the best part of the land, the district of Rameses, as Pharaoh directed. <sup>12</sup> Joseph also **provided** all his father's household **with food** according to the number of children. **Genesis 47:5-12**

➤ **Find God's peace** beyond all comparison & measure **!**

Jeremiah 29:11-13 "I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord...  
Matthew 11:28-30 "Come to me (Jesus) all you who are weary and burdened..."  
Romans 8:28 We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him...

## Crossroads Church

*Discovering Life Connected with God!*

### Our Vision

To be a dynamic and diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ connected in transforming relationships with God, each other, and our world!

### Our Purpose and Mission

To connect people with God, God's family, and God's mission through a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!

### Our Strategy

To fulfill God's purpose in our lives through a balanced commitment to love God with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, according to God's Great Commandment and Great Commission in the Bible.

### Our Commitment

#### **Growth**

To speak and act more like Jesus Christ each day of our lives.  
To reach people disconnected from God with the love of Jesus.

#### **Relationships**

To develop depth, consistency, and closeness in our walk with Jesus.  
To share life and spiritual journey together with each other.

#### **Relevance**

To apply God's truths and principles to life in practical ways.  
To engage and meaningfully share Jesus with people.

#### **Involvement**

To participate in church family relationships and responsibilities.  
To discover and contribute our dynamic and diverse abilities.

#### **Truth**

To value Jesus Christ and the Bible as God's eternal revelation to us.  
To believe and center on Jesus Christ as forgiver and life leader.

## Let's Catch the Vision and Share the Mission Together!

"We are an autonomous, biblically-based church family that actively partners locally and internationally to fulfill our mission to connect people in transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!"