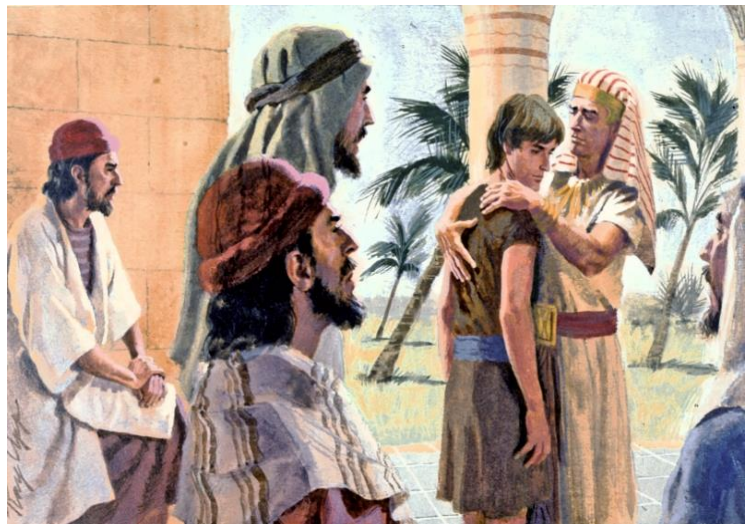


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Joseph, who forgave his brothers

Scripture to read: Genesis 43, 44, 45:1-15

There was famine throughout the entire land. When Jacob heard that grain was available in Egypt, he said to his 10 sons, to go down there, and buy enough grain. Joseph, who was selling the grains, recognized his brothers instantly. Instead of giving them grain, He said to them, “You are spies! You have come to see how vulnerable our land has become.” “No, my lord!” they exclaimed and told that “we are actually twelve of us. We, your servants, are all brothers, sons of a man living in the land of Canaan. Our youngest brother is back there with our father right now, and one of our brothers is no longer with us.” Joseph chose Simeon to remain in the prison, and sent the rest of them, to go home with grain for their starving families and told them to bring their youngest brother back to him. Joseph’s brothers told his father, that to redeem Simeon, Benjamin has to go along with them. When Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he invited them for lunch. By seeing his brother Benjamin, he broke down and wept. Joseph gave them sufficient grain and sent them away. The palace manager searched the brothers’ sacks, from the oldest to the youngest. And the cup was found in Benjamin’s sack! Joseph questioned them about stealing and planned to imprison them, to which his brothers pleaded saying that if this happens, they should see the death of their father. Then Joseph broke down and wept and revealed himself to his brothers. He called his brother’s close to him and loveably embraced them.



Dear one's, what is it that you look astonished, looking at the nobility of Joseph, isn't it? Did you'll notice the brotherly love of Joseph? His heart was not filled with hatred, rather was filled with forgiveness. He not only forgave and accepted them rather told his brother's that the famine will continue for 5more years and said them to bring their father and the others to live in Egypt. Let's do good to the people who try to harm us, just the way Joseph did for the ones who planned to kill him.

God has sent me ahead of you to keep you and your families alive and to preserve many survivors. Genesis 45:07

Prayer:

Heavenly father, help us to possess the nature of forgiveness which was in Joseph. Let us overcome evil by doing that which is good. Amen

Brothers' Travel to Egypt Maze

Joseph's brothers are on their way to Egypt in search of food. Help them through the maze.

