

GENESIS 46; February 15; Jacob Moves All To Egypt

ANALYSIS:

1. How and when did God speak to Jacob at Beersheba?

2. What are five things the LORD told Jacob before he went into Egypt?

3. Who were counted in Jacob's descendants to arrive at the 70 mentioned in v 27?
(pick all the correct answers) Jacob, Jacob's three living wives, Jacob's 12 sons, the wives of the 12 sons, Jacob's daughter, Jacob's grandsons, Jacob's granddaughter, Jacob's great grandsons, Joseph, Joseph's wife, Joseph's two sons.

4. When Jacob was entering Egypt, whom did he send ahead to notify Joseph? _____

5. What did Jacob remark when he had seen Joseph?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The circumstances of the severe famine (43:1), the news that Joseph was alive (45:28), Joseph's request that he come, and Joseph's promise that he would take care of Jacob, had persuaded Jacob to move his entire family to Egypt. However, this was going outside the boundaries of land promised by God to his forefathers. Then "God, the God of thy fathers" speaks to him in visions of the night, "Fear not to go down into Egypt" (v 3). Has the LORD quieted your heart in some big move or decision in your life by saying to you "I will go ... with thee?" (v 4) Thank Him for the past, trust Him for today and the future!

Remember to utilize all the means God provides for our guidance into His perfect will. The scriptures (Ps 119:105); the Spirit speaking, in agreement with the other means (Isa 30:21); the LORD'S pastor/teacher (Eph 4:11-12; Heb 13:7, 17); hearty counsel by godly friends (Pro 11:14; 24:6); prayer (Gen 32:24-28; Acts 13:2-3; Heb 4:16; 11:6; 1 John 3:22; 5:14).

HELP:

1. Visions, at night.
2. (1) fear not to go down into Egypt, (2) I will there make of thee a great nation, (3) I will go down with thee, (4) I will also surely bring thee up again, (5) Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes (vs 3-4).
3. Jacob, Jacob's 12 sons, Jacob's daughter, Jacob's grandsons, Jacob's great grandsons, Joseph, Joseph's two sons, Jacob's great granddaughter.
4. Judah (v 28).
5. Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou art yet alive (v 30).