

JACOB'S DEPARTURE FROM CANAAN

Genesis 27:41-28:22

Jacob, having twice lived up to his name (which means “supplanter” or “trickster”), first by taking advantage of his brother in order to obtain the birthright, and second by deceiving his father into giving him the blessing, must now suffer the consequences of his misdeeds. Read to discover some of the first consequences in this lesson, and look for others in lessons which follow:

A. Esau's Reaction to Jacob's Obtaining the Blessing: Read Genesis 27:41

1. What was the feeling in Esau's heart because Jacob had obtained the blessing Isaac had intended for Esau? Genesis 27:41a

2. What did he plan to do to Jacob as a result? Genesis 27:41c

3. When did he plan to do this? Genesis 27:41b

B. Rebekah's Scheming on Behalf of Jacob: Read Genesis 27:42-46

1. When Rebekah heard what her older son was planning to do, what did she advise Jacob to do? Genesis 27:43

2. How long did she think Jacob should stay there? Genesis 27:44-45a

3. What did she promise to do after this? Genesis 27:45b

4. What excuse did she use in asking Isaac to send Jacob away from home? Genesis 27:46

C. Isaac's Charge to Jacob: Read Genesis 27:1-9

1. What did Isaac tell Jacob he must not do? Genesis 28:1

2. What must he do instead? Genesis 28:2 _____
3. What two things did Isaac pray that God would do for Jacob as a result of this trip? Genesis 28:3, 4
a. (three items) _____
b. _____
4. What did Esau do when he saw that his wives did not please his father? Genesis 28:8, 9

D. Events on Jacob's Journey: Read Genesis 28:10-15

1. As Jacob journeyed toward Haran, what did he have to use for his pillows one night? Genesis 28:11 _____
2. What three wonderful things did he see in his dream that night? Genesis 28:12, 13a
a. 12a _____

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- b.12b _____
c.13a, b _____
3. What great promises did God make to him in this dream? Genesis 28:13b-15
- a. 13c _____
b. 14a, b _____
c. 14c _____
d. 15a, c _____
e. 15d, e _____

NOTE: Genesis 28:14 is considered to be the fourth direct prophecy of Christ in the Bible. We have now learned that He will be “the seed of the woman”, Genesis 3:15; “the seed of Abraham”, Genesis 22:18; “the seed of Isaac”, Genesis 26:4; “the seed of Jacob”, Genesis 28:14.

E. Jacob's Reaction to These Events: Read Genesis 28:16-22

1. When Jacob awakened, what did he realize? Genesis 28:16b

2. Had he been aware of this before? Genesis 28:16c _____
Yet had it been true before? (*THINK!*)

3. How did he feel when he realized this? Genesis 28:17

4. What three things did Jacob do early the next morning?
Genesis 28:18-20a
- a. 18 _____
b. 19 _____
c. 20a _____
5. What three things did he want God to do for him? Genesis 28:20b-21a
- a. 20b (two parts) _____
b. 20c (two parts) _____
c. 21a _____
6. What three things did he promise if God would do these things? Genesis 28:21b, 22
- a. 21b _____
b. 22a _____
c. 22b _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did Jacob give himself completely to God at this time? How might he have improved his prayers and promises?

2. Do I ever try to bargain with God, postponing my committal to Him until after He does certain things for me? What would be a much better thing to do than this? (See Ecclesiastes 12:1a)

JACOB'S LIFE IN HARAN

Genesis 29:1-30:24

After his momentous encounter with God at Bethel, Jacob continued his journey toward Haran. Read now to discover what happened after he arrived there:

A. Jacob's Arrival in Haran: Read Genesis 29:1-14

1. When Jacob arrived at a well in his journey, what did he discover about those gathered around the well? Genesis 29:4

2. When he asked them if they knew Laban, what did they say? Genesis 29:5

3. When he asked if Laban were well, what two things was he told? Genesis 29:6

4. When he saw his cousin Rachel, what did he do for her? Genesis 29:9, 10

5. What three things did he then do? Genesis 29:11, 12a
 - a. (two items) _____
 - b. _____
6. What did Rachel do? Genesis 29:12b

7. What four things did Laban then do? Genesis 29:13

B. Laban's Agreement with Jacob: Read Genesis 29:15-20:

1. After Jacob had visited his relatives for a month, what did his uncle Laban ask him? Genesis 29:15

2. What was Jacob's answer? Genesis 29:18b

3. Why was Jacob willing to do this? Genesis 29:18a

4. Did Laban agree to this proposal? Genesis 29:19

5. What filled Jacob's heart and mind during the seven years which followed? Genesis 29:20

C. Laban's Treatment of Jacob: Read Genesis 29:21-30

1. After Jacob had fulfilled his part of the agreement, who did Laban give him as his wife? Genesis 29:23

2. What did Jacob say Laban had done to him? Genesis 29:25b

3. What was Laban's excuse for doing this? Genesis 29:26

4. How much longer did Jacob have to wait before he could marry Rachel? Genesis 29:27a

5. How much longer did Jacob have to serve Laban for Rachel? Genesis 29:30b

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D. The Results In Jacob's Family: Read Genesis 29:31-30:24

1. What was Jacob's attitude toward Leah as a result of her father's dealings with him?
Genesis 29:31a _____
2. How did the Lord comfort Leah? Genesis 29:31b

3. What four children did she bear to Jacob as a result? Genesis 29:32-35

4. What feeling did this arouse in the heart of Rachel toward her sister?
Genesis 30:1

5. What feeling was aroused in the heart of Jacob? Genesis 30:2

6. What did Rachel suggest that Jacob do to help her out? Genesis 30:3

7. What two children were born to Jacob as a result of this union? Genesis 30:6, 8

8. What did Leah then do? Genesis 30:9b

9. What two children were born to Jacob as a result of this union?
Genesis 30:11, 13 _____
10. What three children were later born to Leah? Genesis 30:18, 20, 21

11. What son was then born to Rachel? Genesis 30:22-24 _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did Jacob have a happy home? Might he have had a happier home if he had only one wife? Why did God permit Laban to treat Jacob as he did?

2. When I cheat, deceive, lie, steal from others, and take unfair advantage of them, can I expect God to keep others from treating me in the same manner? What should I probably expect instead? (See Galatians 6:7)

JACOB'S LATER LIFE IN HARAN

Genesis 30:25-31:55

By the time Jacob's eleventh son, Joseph, was born, the fourteen years he had agreed to serve for his two wives were completed. Now see what took place after this:

A. Laban's Later Dealings with Jacob: Read Genesis 30:25-43, 31:7-9

1. What request did Jacob make of his uncle and father-in-law, Laban, at this time?
Genesis 30:25, 26

2. What did Laban then ask him to do, and why? Genesis 30:27

3. What had happened to Laban's cattle since Jacob had been keeping them? Genesis 30:30a

4. For what did Jacob say he would continue feeding and keeping Laban's flock? Genesis 30:31-33

5. Since eastern sheep were usually white, and goats black, did Laban agree to this?
Genesis 30:34

6. What did he do to be sure that the speckled, spotted and brown did not influence the next generation of cattle? Genesis 30:35-36

7. Notice, however, that Jacob knew other ways of influencing the color of the cattle: Genesis 30:37, 38. Therefore, what happened in spite of Laban's precautions? Genesis 30:39

8. What was the one exception to his use of these means? Genesis 30:42a

9. Therefore, what happened in the days which followed? Genesis 30:42b

10. What was the result to Jacob? Genesis 30:43

11. In the years which followed, what did Laban do to Jacob? Genesis 31:7, 8

12. In spite of this, what did God do for Jacob? Genesis 31:9

B. Jacob's Decision Concerning Laban: Read Genesis 31:1-16

1. Of what were Laban's sons accusing Jacob? Genesis 31:1

2. What did Jacob also notice concerning Laban's countenance?
Genesis 31:2

3. Who spoke to Jacob at this time? Genesis 31:3a

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4. How did He speak to him? Genesis 31:11

5. What did He tell Jacob to do? Genesis 31:3, 13

6. When Jacob called his wives to the field to tell them of this dream (Genesis 31:4-13), why did they agree to leave their father? Genesis 31:14-16

C. Jacob's Departure from Haran: Read Genesis 31:17-21

1. What four words describe those persons and things Jacob took with him from Haran? Genesis 31:17, 18

2. What was a little unusual about Jacob's departure? Genesis 31:20

D. Laban's Pursuit of Jacob: Read Genesis 31:22-55

1. When did Laban discover that Jacob had left Haran? Genesis 31:22

2. What did he do after he discovered this? Genesis 31:23a

3. How long did it take him to catch up with Jacob?

4. When Laban asked why Jacob had left without telling him, what did Laban indicate he had the power to do? Genesis 31:42b

5. But what kept him from doing this? Genesis 31:29b, c

6. Except for this, what did Jacob say Laban would have done? Genesis 31:42

7. Why could Laban not harm Jacob's wives and children? Genesis 31:43

8. Therefore, what did he suggest that they do? Genesis 31:44

9. What did they promise each other before they parted? Genesis 31:52

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Could Laban mistreat Jacob in any way he wished? In what way was he limited?

2. Is God with me, as He was with Jacob, to limit the wrongs others may do to me, and in His time, to deliver me from such people?

JACOB'S RETURN TO CANAAN

Genesis 32:1-33:15

After twenty years away from home, Jacob had finally returned to Canaan. But the problem from which he had run away twenty years before was still unsolved, and he must face it now. See below how he prepared to do this:

A. Jacob's Message to Esau: Read Genesis 32:1-5

1. What happened almost as soon as Jacob had parted from Laban? Genesis 32:1, 2 _____

2. What did Jacob do shortly after this? Genesis 32:3-5a

3. What did he hope to accomplish by sending this message? Genesis 32:5b

4. Upon whom does it seem that he was depending for the solution to his problem?
(*THINK!*) _____

B. Esau's Response to Jacob's Message: Read Genesis 32:6

1. What did Jacob's messengers tell him Esau was doing as a result of Jacob's message?
Genesis 32:6

2. Was he coming to make peace? Genesis 32:6b and *THINK!*

C. Jacob's Reaction to Esau's Plans: Read Genesis 32:7-21

1. How did Jacob feel when he heard of Esau's actions? Genesis 32:7a

2. What was he afraid Esau was planning to do? Genesis 32:11b

Remember that smite means to strike, especially with the hand or something held in the hand.
3. Therefore, what three things did Jacob do, and what did he hope to accomplish by each?
Genesis 32:7b-20
 - a. 7b _____
8 _____
 - b. 9-12 _____
11, 12 _____
 - c. 13b-20a _____
20b-d _____

NOTE: Appease means to do all in one's power to bring peace; peradventure means perhaps.

4. Although Jacob prayed to God concerning his problem, does it seem that he was really *depending* upon God to solve it for him? (*THINK!*)

D. A Special Event in Jacob's Life: Read Genesis 32:22-32

1. What did Jacob and his family do that night? Genesis 32:22

2. As Jacob was left alone after this, what happened? Genesis 32:24

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3. When the wrestler saw that he was not prevailing (winning) against Jacob, what did he do? Genesis 32:25

4. What did he say? Genesis 32:26a

5. What was Jacob's answer? Genesis 32:26b

6. Who alone could do what Jacob asked? (*THINK!*)

7. Therefore,, what do we know that Jacob realized about his visitor?
(See Genesis 32:30b)

8. On whom was Jacob now depending for the solution to his problem? (*THINK!*)

9. What did the visitor first do for Jacob? Genesis 32:27, 28a

Remember that Jacob means supplanter, deceiver, trickster. Israel means a prince of God.

10. What does this change of name seem to indicate had happened to Jacob? Compare Genesis 32:28b with Genesis 27:36

11. After this, what else did the visitor do? Genesis 32:29c

E. Jacob's Meeting with Esau: Read Genesis 33:1-15

1. What did Jacob do when he saw Esau approaching? Genesis 33:1-3

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

2. What four things did Esau do when he saw Jacob coming? Genesis 33:4a-d

3. Then what did they both do? Genesis 33:4e

4. Read the conversation which followed: Genesis 33:5-15. Did Esau accept Jacob's gift?

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was Esau actually planning at first to kill Jacob? If so, when did the great change in him occur, so that Jacob no longer had a problem concerning him?

2. Am I facing a great problem right now? What great change would God like to make in me, so that He can work His miraculous solution to this problem? (See 2 Corinthians 1:9b)

JACOB'S JOURNEY THROUGH CANAAN

Genesis 33:16-36:43

After their momentous meeting near Peniel, Esau returned to Mt. Seir, and Jacob began a slow journey through the land of Canaan toward his father Isaac's home. Notice now the places where he went, locate each place on a map, and notice what happened at each place:

A. The Journey Begun: Read Genesis 33:16-34:31

1. What did Jacob do at Succoth, his first stop on the journey? Genesis 33:17

2. What two things did he do at Shechem?
 - a. Genesis 33:19a _____
 - b. Genesis 33:20 _____
3. Which of his children became involved in a terrible sin there? Genesis 34:2

4. When the men of that place offered to make marriages with them (Genesis 34:8-14), on what condition did they agree to do this? Genesis 34:15-17

5. After the men of Shechem had carried out their part of the agreement, which two sons of Jacob took revenge on the men of that city, and how?
Genesis 34:25-29

6. Because of this, what did Jacob fear the people of the land would do to him? Genesis 34:30

B. The Journey Continued: Read Genesis 35:1-26

1. About this time, Who intervened in the life of Jacob? Genesis 35:1a

2. What two things did He tell him to do? Genesis 35:1b
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
3. What two things did Jacob compel his family to do before they again began their journey? Genesis 35:2-4

4. What prevented the people of the land from pursuing Jacob, as he had feared they would do? Genesis 35:5

5. What three things did God then do for Jacob? Genesis 35:9-12
 - a. (two items) _____
 - b. _____
 - c. of what do verses 11, 12 remind you? _____
6. What did Jacob then do? Genesis 35:14, 15

7. What two events occurred when they were near Ephrath, or Bethlehem? Genesis 35:16-20

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8. Where did Jacob go next? Genesis 35:21

9. Which of his sons committed a terrible sin there? Genesis 35:22

C. The Journey Completed: Read Genesis 35:27-29

1. At what city did Jacob and his family at last arrive? Genesis 35:27

2. Who was there to greet them? Genesis 35:27a

3. Why do you suppose Rebekah is not mentioned as being there? (*THINK!*)

4. Had she kept her promise to send for Jacob as soon as Esau's wrath had subsided?
Genesis 27:43-45

5. Why do you suppose this was so?

6. Evidently, what happened shortly after Jacob had arrived home again? Genesis 35:29

7. Where did Esau and all his family go to live after this? Genesis 36:6, 8a

8. Why did the brothers have to separate? Genesis 36:7

9. Of whom did Esau become the father? Genesis 36:9a

10. What two kinds of rulers were among Esau's descendants?
Genesis 36:15a, 31

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was this a completely happy homecoming for Jacob? What do you suppose caused so much sorrow in his life, and in the lives of his children? If he had turned to God earlier, might things have been any different?

2. How long will I wait before I give myself completely to God? Will that be too late to assure a full measure of God's blessing and happiness for my own life, and the lives of my children? (See Ecclesiastes 12:1)

RELATIONSHIPS AMONG JACOB'S CHILDREN

Genesis 37

Approximately eleven years passed after Jacob left Haran before the events of Genesis 37 took place (compare Genesis 30:22-25, 31:41, and 37:2). Read to see what conditions existed in Jacob's family by this time:

A. Early Relationships Within Jacob's Family: Read Genesis 37:1, 2

1. How old was Joseph at the time of this narrative? Genesis 37:2b

2. With whose sons did Joseph tend sheep? Genesis 37:2c-e

3. Find the names of these brothers in Genesis 35:25, 26

4. What did Joseph notice these brothers doing? Read Genesis 37:2f and *THINK!*

5. Therefore, what did he do? Genesis 37:2f

B. Jacob's Relationship Toward Joseph: Read Genesis 37:3, 4

1. How did Jacob feel toward Joseph? Genesis 37:3a

2. Why did he feel this way? Genesis 37:3b

3. What did he therefore do for Joseph? Genesis 37:3c

4. Because of this, what two things did Joseph's brothers do? Genesis 37:4

C. Joseph's Dreams Concerning His Family: Read Genesis 37:5-11:

1. After this, what two things happened? Genesis 37:5a, b

2. In this dream, as Joseph's family were binding sheaves (stalks of cut grain bound together), what did
 - a. Joseph's sheaf do? Genesis 37:7b

 - b. his brothers' sheaves do? Genesis 37:7c

3. What did Joseph's brothers feel that this dream meant? Genesis 37:8a

4. Did they believe this dream would come true? (Read Genesis 37:8a and *THINK!*)

5. How did they feel toward Joseph after this? Genesis 37:8b, 5c

6. In Joseph's second dream, what did he see? Genesis 37:9

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7. When he told this dream to his family, what did his father do? Genesis 37:10b

8. What did his father indicate that he thought this dream meant? Genesis 37:10c

9. Did his father believe this dream would come true? Genesis 37:10, 11b and *THINK!*

10. How did Joseph's brothers feel toward him after this? Genesis 37:11a

D. Reactions Against Joseph: Read Genesis 37:12-30

1. Later, why did Jacob, now called Israel, send Joseph to Shechem? Genesis 37:14

2. When he finally found his brothers in Dothan, what did they do even before he came near them? Genesis 37:18

3. What seems to be their main reason for doing this? Genesis 37:19, 20f

4. Who spoke out against this plan? Genesis 37:21

5. What did he suggest that they do instead, and why? Genesis 37:22

6. After they had done this (Genesis 37:22-24), what did Judah suggest that they do? Genesis 37:26, 27

7. While the others were carrying out this plan (Genesis 37:28), what did Reuben do? Genesis 37:29, 30

E. The Report to Jacob: Read Genesis 37:31-36

1. What did the brothers then do with Joseph's coat? Genesis 37:31

2. What did they say when they brought it to their father? Genesis 37:32

3. What did this lead Jacob to believe? Genesis 37:33

- (Compare this with what Jacob had done to his father in his earlier life.)
4. What did Jacob do after he received the report from his sons? Genesis 37:34, 35

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did Joseph do wrong in telling on his brothers? In receiving the coat from his father? In dreaming dreams? Did his brothers do wrong in doing evil? In mistreating Joseph for his dreams? In lying to their father?

2. Who am I more like: Joseph, or his brothers? If I am being mistreated although I have done no wrong, what should I do?

Review Psalm 37:7. If I mistreat others who have done no wrong, what may I expect to happen to me? (See Galatians 6:7)

TEMPTATIONS OF JACOB'S CHILDREN

Genesis 38, 39

After Joseph was sold into Egypt, both he and one of his brothers faced very severe temptations. Read to see what each did in the face of these temptations, and what the outcome was in each case:

A. Events in Judah's Life: Read Genesis 38:1-11

1. Who did Judah marry? Genesis 38:2 _____
2. How many children did they have? Genesis 38:3-5 _____
3. Notice what God did to their first two sons, and why: Genesis 38:7-10

4. Why did Judah not let his third son be Tamar's husband after this? Genesis 38:11 _____

B. Judah's Temptation: Read Genesis 38:12-19

1. In time, what happened to Judah's wife? Genesis 38:12

2. When Tamar saw that Judah's third son was grown, and she was not given to him, notice what she did: Genesis 38:13, 14. When Judah saw her, what did he think her to be? Genesis 38:15

3. Therefore, notice what he asked her: Genesis 38:16, 17. What did she require that he leave with her? Genesis 38:18

C. The Results of Judah's Temptation: Read Genesis 38:20-30

1. When Judah sent the kid he had promised, what happened? Genesis 38:20-23

2. When he discovered that his daughter-in-law was pregnant, what did he say should be done to her? Genesis 38:24

3. But after he learned by whom she had become pregnant, what did he decide? Genesis 38:26b _____
4. What were the names of the twins which were born to them? Genesis 38:27-30

D. Events in Joseph's Life in Egypt: Read Genesis 39:1-6b

1. To whom was Joseph sold in Egypt? Genesis 39:1b, c _____
2. What position did this man hold? Genesis 39:1b _____
3. What was true of Joseph, even though he had been sold into slavery? Genesis 39:2a _____
4. Therefore, what happened to him? Genesis 39:3b, 2b

5. Who soon became aware that God was with Joseph? Genesis 39:3

6. Therefore, what position did he give Joseph? Genesis 39:4

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7. What happened to Joseph's master after this? Genesis 39:5

8. Notice the extent to which Joseph's master trusted him: Genesis 39:6a, b

E. Joseph's Temptation: Read Genesis 39:6c-12

1. Describe Joseph's physical appearance: Genesis 39:6c

2. Notice what his master's wife did: Genesis 39:7. How did he respond to her invitation?
Genesis 39:8a

3. For whose sake and why did he refuse her? Genesis 39:8b-9c, d

a. _____

b. _____

4. Did Joseph's adamant refusal end his temptations? Genesis 39:10

5. How often did he have to renew his decision to not yield to temptation? Genesis 39:10b

6. Did he give in even a little bit to her temptations? Genesis 39:10 d, e

7. On one occasion, why did Joseph go into the house? Genesis 39:11a, b

8. How many others were in the house at this time? Genesis 39:11c

8. Notice what his temptress did at this time, besides just *suggesting* that he do evil:
Genesis 39:12a. But what did Joseph do? Genesis 39:12b-d

F. The Results of Joseph's Temptation: Read Genesis 39:13-23

1. When Joseph's temptress saw what he had done, notice how she explained what had happened: Genesis 39:13-15. To whom did she later repeat this explanation?
Genesis 39:16-18

2. When he heard her words, how did he feel? Genesis 39:19

3. Therefore, what did he do with Joseph? Genesis 39:20

4. Yet what was still true of Joseph, even there? Genesis 39:21a, 23b

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was God pleased with Judah's reaction to his temptations? With Tamar's? With Potiphar's wife's? With Joseph's? Which of these was in the most enviable position afterwards? How could Joseph resist his temptations when the others could not?

2. Am I ever tempted to feel that I am entitled to enjoy sex even though God has not seen fit for me to be married at this time? Or, with someone other than the one to whom I am married? Am I ever tempted by those who have such beliefs? What should I do in such cases? (See 2 Timothy 2:22, James 4:7). What could help me?

JOSEPH IN PRISON

Genesis 39:21-41:45

For the second time, Joseph had been greatly wronged, with the result that now he was not just a slave, but also a prisoner held on a false charge. Yet notice what was still true of Joseph even in this place, and what happened as a result of his being there:

A. Joseph's Position in Prison: Read Genesis 39:21-23

1. Although Joseph had been falsely accused and was being falsely punished, what wonderful fact was still true of him? Genesis 39:21a

2. Therefore, what two things did the Lord do for him? Genesis 39:21b, c

3. What did the keeper of the prison do because of this? Genesis 39:22a

4. Notice the extent to which the keeper of the prison trusted Joseph: Genesis 39:23a. What did God do concerning all that Joseph did? Genesis 39:23c, d

B. Joseph's Encounter with the King's Butler and Baker: Read Genesis 40:1-8

1. Why were the king's butler and baker placed in the same prison where Joseph was? Genesis 40:1-3

2. Who was given charge over the butler and baker? Genesis 40:4

3. After a time, what did both of them do in the same night? Genesis 40:5

4. When Joseph saw them the next morning, what did he notice? Genesis 40:6

5. After Joseph had discovered why they were so sad (Genesis 40:7, 8b), what did he tell them? Genesis 40:8d

C. Their Dreams and the Fulfillment of Them: Read Genesis 40:9-23

1. Be able to tell what the butler had seen and done in his dream: Genesis 40:9-11

2. What did Joseph say his dream meant? Genesis 40:12, 13

3. What did Joseph ask the butler to do for him? Genesis 40:14

4. Be able to tell what the baker saw in his dream: Genesis 40:16, 17

5. What did Joseph say his dream meant? Genesis 40:18, 19

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6. On the third day after the butler's and baker's dreams, what three things happened?
Genesis 40:20-22
- 20 _____
 - 21 _____
 - 22 _____
7. In spite of all that had happened to the butler, what did he do after this? Genesis 40:23

D. Pharaoh's Dreams: Read Genesis 41:1-13

- How long did Joseph continue to be held a prisoner? Genesis 41:1a

- At the end of this time, what happened? Genesis 41:1b

- Be able to tell what Pharaoh saw in his two dreams: Genesis 41:1-7

- When he told these dreams to all his wise men, what happened? Genesis 41:8

- About this time, what did the chief butler remember? Genesis 41:9-13

E. Joseph Before Pharaoh: Read Genesis 41:14-45

- What did Pharaoh immediately do? Genesis 41:14

- When Pharaoh said he had heard that Joseph could interpret dreams, what did Joseph tell him? Genesis 41:16

- After Pharaoh told his dreams to Joseph, what did Joseph say both the kine (cattle) and the ears represented? Genesis 41:26

- What two things did the dreams show that God was about to send in Egypt? Genesis 41:28-32

- Therefore, what did Joseph advise Pharaoh to have a man do during the seven years of plenty? Genesis 41:33-36

- Who was chosen for this position and for what two reasons? Genesis 41:39, 40b, 38c, 39c

- Notice how Joseph was treated after this: Genesis 41:40c-45

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

- Did it pay Joseph to remain true to God throughout all his trials, temptations and sufferings? Did the wrongs done to him benefit him in any way? Without them, would he have been available when Pharaoh needed him?

- What is God able to do concerning any wrongs which may ever be done to me? (See Romans 8:28)

JOSEPH'S BROTHERS' TRIP TO EGYPT

Genesis 41:46-42:25

We have seen how wonderfully God overruled the wrongs done to Joseph, actually using each one to accomplish His purposes for Joseph. Each step in the seeming downward trend of Joseph's life was necessary to get him to the place which God had prepared for him. Now read to see what happened after he had arrived at this place:

A. The Extent of the Famine: Read Genesis 41:46-57

1. How old was Joseph when he was made second ruler of Egypt? Genesis 41:46a _____

2. How long had it been since he was sold into Egypt as a slave? Genesis 37:2

3. What did Joseph do during the seven years of plenty? Genesis 41:48

4. What happened in Joseph's family during the years before the famine came? Genesis 41:50-52

5. What was the extent of the famine which then came? Genesis 41:54b, 56a

6. What was the one hope of all the countries which were affected by this famine? Genesis 41:54c, 57

B. Jacob's Advice to His Sons: Read Genesis 42:1-5

1. What country was among those affected by the famine? Genesis 42:5b

2. When Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, what did he suggest that his sons do? Genesis 42:1, 2

3. How many of the brothers heeded this advice? Genesis 42:3

4. Which of them did not go, and why? Genesis 42:4

C. The Brothers' Arrival in Egypt: Read Genesis 42:6-17

1. What did the brothers do as soon as they arrived in Egypt? Genesis 42:6c

2. Of what was this the fulfillment? Genesis 37:5-8

3. What two facts describe what took place at this meeting? Genesis 42:8

4. Although Joseph knew his brothers, what two things did he do? Genesis 42:7

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5. When Joseph remembered the dreams he had dreamed concerning them, what did he accuse them of being? Genesis 42:9

6. In denying this accusation in Genesis 42:13, what facts of great interest to Joseph did they reveal

a. concerning their father? _____

b. concerning their brother? _____

7. What did Joseph say must be done to prove that his charge against them was not true? Genesis 42:15

8. While one of them went to carry out this order, what was to be done with all the others? Genesis 42:16

9. How long did he keep them all in ward (prison)? Genesis 42:17

10. How did this compare with the amount of time he had spent in confinement because of their actions against him? (*THINK!*)

D. The Brothers' Departure from Egypt: Read Genesis 42:18-25:

1. At the end of this time, how many did Joseph say must remain in prison? Genesis 42:19a

2. What did he say he would let the others all do? Genesis 42:19b

3. But what did he say they must still do? Genesis 42:20

4. After this treatment by Joseph, what did his brothers realize? Genesis 42:21a

5. Why did they feel that these things had happened to them? Genesis 42:21b, 22 _____

6. Of what were the brothers not aware? Genesis 42:23

7. What did Joseph do when he heard the words of his brothers? Genesis 42:24a _____

8. In spite of this, what did he do to Simeon? Genesis 42:24b

9. What two things did Joseph do for his brothers besides giving them the corn which they paid for? Genesis 42:25

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What was Joseph's true heart attitude toward his brothers? Why did he speak roughly to them, and treat them so strangely and unkindly?

2. What is God's heart attitude toward me when I have sinned? Why does He speak firmly to me, and treat me severely at times? (See Romans 11:22) How long will God have to continue such treatment of me?

JOSEPH'S BROTHERS' SECOND TRIP TO EGYPT

Genesis 42:26-45:15

The nine brothers, no doubt very heavy-hearted because of what had happened in Egypt and because Simeon was not with them, began their long journey homeward. See now what happened on their way, and after they arrived:

A. The Journey and Arrival at Home: Read Genesis 42:26-38

1. When one brother discovered money in his sack, how did all of them feel? Genesis 42:28e

2. Who did they realize had done these things to them? Genesis 42:28g

3. When they arrived home, what did they do? Genesis 42:29

4. Notice what they found as they emptied their sacks: Genesis 42:35. How did this make them feel?

5. What did Jacob say about all these things? Genesis 42:36f

6. What did Reuben say Jacob might do if he did not bring Benjamin back? Genesis 42:37

7. Did Jacob agree to this offer? Genesis 42:38 _____

B. The Second Trip Discussed: Read Genesis 43:1-15

1. When all their corn was gone, notice what Jacob suggested: Genesis 43:1, 2. On what condition did Judah say they would do this? Genesis 43:4

2. After Jacob's further protests (Genesis 43:6, 7), what did Judah promise? Genesis 43:8, 9 _____
3. As Jacob finally consented, notice what he said they should take to the man in Egypt: Genesis 43:11-13

4. What did he ask God to do as he sent them? Genesis 43:14

C. The Brothers Again Before Joseph: Read Genesis 43:16-34

1. When Joseph saw his brothers, notice what he commanded his servant to do: Genesis 43:16. As this was done, how did the brothers feel? Genesis 43:18 _____
2. When they explained their case to the steward (administrator) of Joseph's house (Genesis 43:19-22), notice what he said to them: Genesis 43:23a-c. Notice also what he did for them: Genesis 43:23d-24

3. What three things did all the brothers do when Joseph came home? Genesis 43:26b, c, 28d, e

4. When Joseph saw his brother Benjamin, what did he do? Genesis 43:30

5. Notice the special favor he showed to Benjamin at mealtime: Genesis 43:34

D. Their Second Return Trip: Read Genesis 44:1-13

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1. What did Joseph tell his steward to put into Benjamin's sack, besides his corn money? Genesis 44:2

2. Notice what he later told the steward to do: Genesis 44:4, 5. When he did this, and found the cup in Benjamin's sack (Genesis 44:6-12), what did all the brothers do? Genesis 44:13

E. Before Joseph Again: Read Genesis 44:14-34

1. When the brothers arrived at Joseph's house, what did they again do? Genesis 44:14_____

2. When Joseph reprimanded them, what did Judah say had happened? Genesis 44:16e_____

3. When Judah said they were all Joseph's servants, what did Joseph say all but Benjamin might do? Genesis 44:17

4. After a long explanation (Genesis 44:18-29), why did Judah say they could not do this? Genesis 44:30-31

5. Since Judah had become surety for Benjamin (Genesis 44:32), what did he ask Joseph to let him do? Genesis 44:33

F. Joseph's Response to His Brothers' Plea: Read Genesis 45:1-15

1. When Joseph heard Judah's plea, what did he do? Genesis 45:1a, 2a

2. After asking all others to leave the room, what did he tell his brothers? Genesis 45:3a_____

3. When they heard this, how did they feel? Genesis 45:3d

4. But was Joseph angry with them or harsh to them? Genesis 45:4, 5b

5. What did Joseph say was the real reason he had come to Egypt? Genesis 45:5c, 7, 8a_____

6. What did he now invite all his family to do? Genesis 45:9, 10

7. What did he say he would do during the rest of the famine? Genesis 45:11

8. What did he then do to Benjamin? Genesis 45:14

9. Notice what he then did to all his brothers: Genesis 45:15

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was the ten brothers' attitude toward their younger brother and their father any different now from what it had been when Joseph was 17? Did this have anything to do with the change in Joseph's treatment of them now?

2. How do I feel about the wrongs I have done in the past? Do I still want to do such things? Does this have any effect on God's treatment of me?
(See 1 John 1:9; Proverbs 28:13)

JACOB'S MOVE TO EGYPT

Genesis 45:16-47:26

Now that Joseph's brothers had truly repented of their wrong toward him, and had changed so that they no longer wanted to do such wrongs again, Joseph was free to shower upon them all the blessings which he enjoyed as the second ruler of Egypt. See now exactly what he did for his family:

A. The Brothers' Return to Canaan: Read Genesis 45:16-18

1. How did Pharaoh feel when he heard that Joseph's brothers had come to see him?
Genesis 45:16

2. What did he tell Joseph to tell his brothers? Genesis 45:17-18a

3. What did he promise to give them if they would do this? Genesis 45:18b, 20

4. What did he say they might take to help them in making this move
Genesis 45:19 _____
5. What two things did Joseph give them? Genesis 45:21b, 22

6. What did he send to his father? Genesis 45:23

7. What was his father's reaction when he heard that Joseph was not only alive, but was second ruler over all of Egypt? Genesis 45:26

8. What convinced him that his sons' report concerning Joseph must be true? Genesis 45:27

9. What did he therefore decide to do? Genesis 45:28

B. The Journey to Egypt: Read Genesis 46:1-7, 26, 27

1. What happened when Jacob (now also called Israel) and his family had traveled as far as Beersheba? Genesis 46:1, 2

2. What did God tell him concerning his proposed trip to Egypt? Genesis 46:3a

3. What did God say would happen to his family while they were in Egypt? Genesis 46:3b

4. What three additional wonderful promises did God make to him? Genesis 46:4
a. _____
b. _____
c. _____
5. How much of his family did Jacob take with him to Egypt? Genesis 46:6, 7

6. Genesis 46:8-25 lists the names of all who went: _____

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How many were there in all? Genesis 46:26 _____
A score is 20. Therefore, how many would this be? _____

7. Counting Joseph and his family who were already in Egypt, how many were in Jacob's family at this time? Genesis 46:27 _____

C. The Arrival in Egypt: Read Genesis 46:28 - 47:26:

1. It had been at least 22 years since Joseph had last seen his father. Therefore, what did he do when he was at last reunited with him? Genesis 46:29

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2. What was Jacob content to do, now that he had seen Joseph? Genesis 46:30

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3. Why did Joseph say his brothers must tell Pharaoh that they were livestock breeders? Genesis 46:33, 34c

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4. How did the Egyptians feel about shepherds? Genesis 46:34d

NOTE: Abomination means extreme disgust and hatred; abhorrence; detestation, loathing.

5. Therefore, would it be very likely that the Egyptians would intermarry with the Israelites? Who would the Israelites therefore probably marry? Compare with Genesis 24:4, 28:2

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6. What advantage would this have toward building a godly nation?

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7. When Jacob was presented to Pharaoh, what did he do? Genesis 47:7
(See Hebrews 7:7) _____

8. Because of the famine, for what four things did Joseph sell food to all in Egypt except his family and the priests? Genesis 47:14, 16, 18

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9. What law did Joseph make after this? Genesis 47:23-26
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did God have any reasons for allowing Jacob and his family to move to Egypt? What was accomplished through this move?

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2. Is God concerned about any moves my family may make? Might He have some purposes to accomplish through such a move?
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REVIEW OF GENESIS 27:41-50:26

AND OF THE BOOK OF GENESIS

As you come to the end of your study of this booklet, look back over the entire unit, and the book of Genesis, to try to get an overall picture of what you have studied:

A. Major Persons in Genesis 27-50

1. Who is the most outstanding person at the beginning of this unit?

2. What new name was given to him by God? Genesis 32:28

3. Which son of his was most outstanding in the latter part of the unit?

4. Notice that all the other outstanding people in this unit are related to Jacob. Be able to match them with their descriptions:
 - a. The wife for whom Jacob agreed to work 7 years:
 - b. The wife Jacob was tricked into marrying:
 - c. Jacob's uncle, who later became his father-in-law:
 - d. Jacob's oldest son, who tried to save Joseph from harm:
 - e. Jacob's son who suggested that they sell Joseph:
 - f. Jacob's youngest son:

B. Pictures and Prophecies of Christ in Genesis 27-50:

1. How is Jacob's ladder a picture of Christ?

2. Notice the many ways in which Joseph was like Jesus who was to come:
 - a. Each was _____ of his father (Genesis 37:3).
 - b. Each was _____ by his brethren (Genesis 37:4).
 - c. Each was _____ for the price of a slave: Joseph for _____ pieces of silver, the price of a slave under 20 years old (Genesis 37:28); and Jesus for _____ pieces of silver, the price of a slave full grown (Matthew 26:15).
 - d. Each was _____ accused, and suffered greatly (Genesis 39:12-18).
 - e. Each was lifted up to reign over his _____ (Genesis 42:6, etc.)
 - f. Each became the prince and savior of _____ (Genesis 41:57).
3. Review the five prophecies of Christ in Genesis 3:15, 22:18, 23:4, 28:14, 49:10.

C. Review of the Book of Genesis

1. Who wrote the book of Genesis? (See title of book on first page.)

2. About when would it therefore have been written?

3. In Genesis 1-11, with how much of the human race was God dealing?

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4. Beginning with Genesis 12, what special race did He begin to form?

5. From the above information, make a two-part outline of the book of Genesis:
a. Genesis ____ - ____: God's Dealings with the _____ Human Race.
b. Genesis ____ - ____: The Beginnings of God's _____ Race,
_____.

6. In Unit 2, you learned four words to summarize the first division of Genesis.
Review by writing them:

7. What four names could be used to summarize the second division of Genesis (Units 3 and 4)?

D. The Theme and Major Events of Genesis 27-50: Read Hebrews 11:13-16

1. Notice that Genesis 27-50 continue the theme of Genesis 12-27:

The necessity of _____ God,
_____ in Him, and having
_____ in Him.

2. Whose life shows the danger of *not* doing this? (*THINK!*)

3. Who is the best example of *doing* this, even under the worst conditions?

4. List those whose action showed lack of faith:

5. Who guided in all the events of Jacob's and Joseph's lives?

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What is the great lesson of Genesis 27-50 for people of my day?

2. Are there unusual, difficult, or unexplainable circumstances in my life today? Who allowed them? What am I doing about them? What *should* I do about them?

ISRAEL'S EARLY YEARS IN EGYPT

Genesis 47:27-50:26

Now that Joseph's father and brothers were settled in Egypt, they were assured of enough food to see them safely through the remaining years of famine. Read now what happened in the years which followed:

A. Jacob's Life in Egypt: Read Genesis 47:27-31

1. During their first few years in Egypt, what happened to the descendants of Jacob or Israel?
Genesis 47:27b

2. How long did Jacob live in Egypt? Genesis 47:28a _____

3. How old was he now? Genesis 47:28b _____

4. What time was now drawing near? Genesis 47:29a

5. What did he therefore ask Joseph to promise him? Genesis 47:29g

6. Where did he wish to be buried? Genesis 47:30a-c

7. What was Joseph's response to this request? Genesis 47:30d-31

B. Jacob and Joseph's Sons: Read Genesis 48:1-22

1. What message came to Joseph shortly after this? Genesis 48:1a-c

2. What did he then do? Genesis 48:1d-2

3. What did Jacob say had happened to him in Canaan? Genesis 48:3a, b

4. After reviewing the blessings God had given him at that time, what did Jacob say about Joseph's two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh? Genesis 48:5

5. After further comments (Genesis 48:6-14), what did Jacob do to Joseph and his sons? Genesis 48:15a, 20a (See also Hebrews 11:21)

6. What did Jacob (Israel) then tell Joseph that God would do for all Israel? Genesis 48:21 _____

7. What did he say he was giving Joseph? Genesis 48:22 _____

8. Of what important right was this privilege usually a part? (*THINK!*)

C. The Last Days of Jacob: Read Genesis 49:1-33

1. Why did Jacob ask his sons to gather together unto him? Genesis 49:1

2. Would you say that Jacob predicted good things for Reuben, Simeon and Levi? Genesis 49:3-7

3. What two good predictions did he make concerning Judah? Genesis 49:8b, 10a, b

a. _____

b. _____

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NOTE: The name Shiloh means peace-bringer. Genesis 49:10 is considered to be the fifth direct prophecy of Christ in the Bible (See Genesis 3:15, 22:18, 26:4, and 28:14 for the first four). Judah is thus the fifth from whom we learn that Christ will be descended.

- Who usually received the right to rule the family or tribe? Genesis 49:3a
(See 1 Chronicles 5:1 to discover why Reuben did not receive the right.)

- Notice how short are the blessings given to the other sons, with the exception of Joseph (Genesis 49:13-21, 27). By contrast, notice how long is the blessing given to Joseph: Genesis 49:22-26.

- After charging all his sons to bury him with his fathers in Canaan (Genesis 49:28-32), what did Jacob do? Genesis 49:33

D. Jacob's Burial: Read Genesis 50:1-21

- How long did it take to embalm Jacob? Genesis 50:1-3b _____
- How long did the Egyptians mourn for him? Genesis 50:3c _____
- After this, who went with Joseph and his family to Canaan to bury Jacob? Genesis 50:7b, 9 _____

- Now that their father was dead, what two things did Joseph's brothers fear that Joseph would do to them? Genesis 50:15

- When they expressed this fear to Joseph (Genesis 50:16, 17d), what did Joseph do? Genesis 50:17e

- Did Joseph hate them or have any thought of trying to get even with them? Genesis 59:18-21

- What message did his answer to them twice include? Genesis 50:19b, 21a

- Who did he say had been guiding, even when they had thought evil against him? Genesis 50:20

E. The Last Days of Joseph: Read Genesis 50:22-26

- How long did Joseph live? Genesis 50:22 _____
- Before he died, what two things did he remind his family that God would do for them? Genesis 50:24

- What did he make his family promise him that they would do when this should happen? Genesis 50:25

- What did it require on his part to do both things mentioned above?
(See Hebrews 11:22) _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

- Would it have been right for Joseph to hate and to seek to repay his brothers for the wrongs they had done to him? (See Deuteronomy 32:35; Psalm 94:1; Hebrews 10:30) _____

- What should my attitude be towards those who have wronged me?
(See Romans 12:19; Matthew 5:44-48; 1 Peter 2:19-23; Acts 7:59-60)

ISRAEL'S LATER YEARS IN EGYPT

Exodus 1:1-22

By the time of Joseph's death at the age of 110 (Genesis 41:53 and 50:26), the Israelites had been in Egypt about 70 years (compare Genesis 41:46 with 45:6), during which time they had been honored and given the best of the land for Joseph's sake. Read now to discover what happened during the next 280 years before the beginning of Exodus 2:1:

A. Israel Under Joseph's Rule: Read Exodus 1:1-6

1. How many of Jacob's sons had originally come to Egypt? Exodus 1:1b

2. What was the total number of Jacob's descendants who originally came to Egypt?
Exodus 1:5

3. What eventually happened to Joseph and all of his brothers? Exodus 1:6

B. Israel After Joseph's Death: Read Exodus 1:7-10

1. By what name had all those descended from Jacob come to be known in Egypt? Exodus 1:7a, 9a

NOTE: Read Genesis 32:27, 28 to recall why they were called by this name.

2. What did the children of Israel continue to do after the death of Joseph? Exodus 1:7

3. How many of them were there at this time? Exodus 1:9

4. What happened in the land of Egypt about this time? Exodus 1:8

NOTE: History tells us that this was not only a new king, but a whole new dynasty (DI-nas-ti: a race or succession of kings, of the same line or family). The Hyksos, shepherd kings, had been ruling in the time of Joseph. They were Asiatic foreigners, so they welcomed the Israelites. The "new king which knew not Joseph" was of the local dynasty, a native Egyptian who disliked foreigners.

5. What four things did this new king fear that the Israelites would do?
Exodus 1:10
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____

C. The King's First Plan: Read Exodus 1:11-14

1. Because of the king's fear of the Israelites, what did he do to them? Exodus 1:11a

2. What particular type of work were the Israelites forced to do? Exodus 1:11b

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3. Notice from Exodus 1:13 and 14b that their taskmasters made them serve with rigor. Therefore, how is their bondage described? Exodus 1:14a

4. What one word in Exodus 1:14a describes their lives because of this bondage?

5. What was the result of this first plan of the king? Exodus 1:12

D. The King's Second Plan: Read Exodus 1:15-21

1. Since the king's first plan had not kept the Israelites from increasing, what did he then tell the Hebrew midwives to do? Exodus 1:15, 16

2. Did the midwives do as the king had commanded them? Exodus 1:17b

3. Why? Exodus 1:17a, 21a

4. What two things did God do for the midwives because of this? Exodus 1:20a, 21b

5. What was the result of this second plan of the king? Exodus 1:20b

E. The King's Third Plan: Read Exodus 1:22

1. To whom was the king's next command directed? Exodus 1:22

2. Did any of the parents obey this command? (See Acts 7:17-19)

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. How would the Israelites feel as they endured the terrible treatment of the king? What would this treatment cause them to long for, or wish they could do?

2. Is anyone holding *me* captive, and forcing me to serve them? (See Romans 6:16; 2 Timothy 2:26; John 8:33, 34; Romans 6:12-14; 1 Peter 5:8, 9a)

EVENTS IN ONE FAMILY IN EGYPT

Exodus 2:1-10; Acts 7:17-21

The cruel commands of Egypt's new king must of necessity have very far-reaching effects on the families of Israel. Read to discover how the third command affected one particular family:

A. The Birth of an Infant: Read Exodus 2:1-4

1. From which son of Jacob were the man and woman mentioned in Exodus 2:1 descended?

2. What happened in their family after the time of the king's third command? Exodus 2:2a

3. When the mother saw that the son was a goodly child, what did she do, rather than obeying the king's command? Exodus 2:2b

4. What caused her to do this? (See Hebrews 11:23a and *THINK!* - one word)

5. When she was finally forced to obey the king's command and put her child into the river, how did she do it? Exodus 2:3

NOTE: Remember that an ark is primarily a place of refuge or safety.

6. Who kept watch nearby and why? Exodus 2:4

B. His Early Childhood: Read Exodus 2:5-9

1. Who came down to the river and why? Exodus 2:5a

2. When she saw the ark, what did she do? Exodus 2:5b

3. When she opened it and saw the child, what was it doing? Exodus 2:6a

4. Therefore, how did she react to it? Exodus 2:6b

5. What did she recognize about the baby? Exodus 2:6c

6. What did his sister then offer to do? Exodus 2:7

7. What was the princess's answer? Exodus 2:8a

8. Who did the girl then call? Exodus 2:8b

9. What did the princess tell the woman to do? Exodus 2:9a

10. What did she offer to do for the woman? Exodus 2:9b

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11. What did the woman do for the baby in the succeeding months and possibly years?
Exodus 2:9c

NOTE: Remember that there were no prepared baby foods in those days, and therefore it was customary to nurse babies until about the age of two years. This child's mother may have nursed him even longer, in order to keep him with her as long as possible.

12. About what great persons and events do you suppose this mother taught her child during the time he was with her? (*THINK!*)

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13. What did the mother eventually have to do? Exodus 2:10a

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14. What did her child become? Exodus 2:10b

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15. What name was he given and why? Exodus 2:10c

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16. Trace the ancestry of Moses from Exodus 6:16-20a.

a. Who were the three sons of Levi? Exodus 6:16

b. What were the names of Moses' parents? Exodus 6:20a

c. From which of Levi's three sons was Moses' father descended? Exodus 6:18a_____

d. What was the name of Moses' brother? Exodus 6:20b_____

(Notice from Exodus 7:7 that Aaron was three years older than Moses).

e. What was the name of his sister who watched him? Numbers 26:59

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Why was Moses allowed to live, when other Hebrew boys were being killed?

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2. Does God have a purpose in allowing me to be alive today? What is it?
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EVENTS OF MOSES' EARLY LIFE AND MIDDLE AGE

Exodus 2:11-22; Acts 7:22–30; Hebrews 11:24-26

After Moses' very few years of training by his own Israelite mother, he went to live in the home of Pharaoh's daughter, where he was doubtless trained to become successor to the Egyptian throne. Read now to discover what happened during his years there, and afterward:

A. Moses' Schooling: Read Acts 7:22

1. As the son of Pharaoh's daughter, what did Moses learn? Acts 7:22a

2. In what two areas of life did he become especially skilled during these years? Acts 7:22b

B. Moses' Great Decision: Read Acts 7:23; Exodus 2:11; Hebrews 11:24-26

1. When Moses was fully grown, what did he decide to do? Exodus 2:11

2. How old was he when he made this decision? Acts 7:23

3. What prompted him to do this? (See Hebrews 11:24 and *THINK!*)

4. What two things did he have to give up as a result of this decision? Hebrews
a. 11:25b _____
b. 11:26b _____
5. With whom did he become numbered after this? Hebrews 11:25a

6. What two things did he have to suffer as a result of his choice? Hebrews 11:25a, 26a

C. Moses' First Attempt to Deliver Israel: Read Exodus 2:11-15; Acts 7:24-29a

1. When Moses visited his people, what did he see an Egyptian doing? Exodus 2:11b

NOTE: Remember that *smite* means to strike, with the hand or something held in the hand.

2. What two things did Moses then do to the Egyptian? Exodus 2:12b; Acts 7:24

NOTE: Remember that *slew* (sloo) is the past tense of *slay*: to kill by violence.

3. What had he done previously? Exodus 2:12a

4. What does this show that he knew about his actions? (*THINK!*)

5. What did Moses see on the second day he visited his people? Exodus 2:13a

6. What did he expect his people to understand at this time? Acts 7:25a

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7. But did they understand this? Acts 7:25b
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8. Did they accept Moses as their leader? Exodus 2:14
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9. When Moses realized that his sin of murder was known, how did he feel? Exodus 2:14b
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10. What did Pharaoh try to do when he heard of Moses' actions? Exodus 2:15a
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11. But what did Moses then do? Exodus 2:15b
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D. Moses' Mature Years: Read Exodus 2:16-22

1. With whom did Moses live in the land of Midian? Exodus 2:16a, 18a, 21a
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- Locate Midian on a map.
2. What did this man do for Moses? Exodus 2:21b
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3. What took place in Moses' family after this? Acts 7:29b
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4. How long did Moses continue to live there? Acts 7:30a
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5. What did he do during these years? Exodus 3:1a. What occupied his thoughts?
(*THINK!*)
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did Moses use God's methods in seeking to deliver the Israelites at this time? Why did God have to send him to the backside of the desert for 40 years?
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2. When I attempt to do God's work, whose methods do I use? On whom do I depend? Are my efforts likely to succeed, or are they doomed to failure from the start?
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EVENTS DURING MOSES' OLD AGE

Exodus 2:23-4:20

After spending forty years as the son of Pharaoh's daughter, learning all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and forty years keeping sheep in the desert--learning, no doubt, patience and other lessons from God--Moses was now ready to be used of God for a special purpose. Read to see what took place among the Israelites about this time, and what effect these events had on the life of Moses:

A. Events in Egypt: Read Exodus 2:23-25

1. What took place in Egypt about this time? Exodus 2:23a

2. What three things did the people of Israel do because of their bondage? Exodus 2:23b, 24a

3. Who heard and saw all that was going on? Exodus 2:23b, 24a, 25a

4. What did God remember then? Exodus 2:24b (See Genesis 15:13-16)

B. God's Message to Moses: Read Exodus 3:1-10

1. When Moses was keeping sheep in Mt. Horeb one day, what unusual sight did he see? Exodus 3:1, 2 _____
2. When he decided to investigate this, what was he told? Exodus 3:4, 5

3. How did his visitor identify himself? Exodus 3:6

4. What did He say He had seen, and heard, and what did He know? Exodus 3:7 _____
5. What two things did He say He had come down to do? Exodus 3:8
a. _____
b. _____
6. What was He going to do with Moses and why? Exodus 3:10

C. Moses' First Response to God's Message: Read Exodus 3:11-22

1. What was Moses' answer to God's call to him? Exodus 3:11

2. What did God promise him? Exodus 3:12a

3. By what name did God say Moses should describe the One who had sent him? Exodus 3:14 _____
4. Who was he to tell of God's message? Exodus 3:16

5. What would their response be? Exodus 3:18a

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6. What request were they then to make of the King of Egypt? Exodus 3:18b

7. What would be his first answer? Exodus 3:19

8. What would God then do to make him willing to let them go? Exodus 3:20

9. Notice what God said the Israelites were to do before they left: Exodus 3:21, 22

D. Moses' Later Responses to God's Message: Read Exodus 4:1-20

1. What was Moses' second objection to obeying God's command? Exodus 4:1

3. Be able to describe the three miracles God gave him power to do:
Exodus 4:2-9

4. What further objection did Moses still have? Exodus 4:10

NOTE: *Eloquent* means able to speak fluently or forcefully.

4. What was God's answer to this objection? Exodus 4:11, 12

5. Even after all God had done and said, what did Moses ask Him to do? Exodus 4:13

6. How did God feel about this request? Exodus 4:14a

7. Whom did God say He would send with Moses as spokesman? Exodus 4:14b-16

8. After this, what did Moses finally do? Exodus 4:20

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did it matter to God that the Israelites were suffering terribly from their bondage? What did He want to do about it? How badly did He want to do this? _____

2. What does God want to do about *my* bondage today? (See 2 Timothy 2:26)

MOSES' EARLY APPEARANCES BEFORE PHARAOH

Exodus 4:21–6:9

God had now perfectly prepared Moses to lead His people out of Egypt into their own land, and had completely answered Moses' objections. Now see the next step in God's preparation for this great move:

A. God's Instructions to Moses: Read Exodus 4:20-23

1. What did God tell Moses he was to do when he returned to Egypt? Exodus 4:21a _____

2. What would take place after Moses had done this? Exodus 4:21b

3. What command from God was Moses to give Pharaoh? Exodus 4:22, 23a

4. What did God warn that He would do if Pharaoh refused to obey this command?
Exodus 4:23b

B. Moses' Return to Egypt: Read Exodus 4:27-31

1. Who met Moses as he journeyed toward Egypt? Exodus 4:27 _____
2. What did Moses do after they met? Exodus 4:28

3. With whom did they both then meet? Exodus 4:29 _____
4. After these people heard the words of God, and saw the signs God had given Moses, what did they do? Exodus 4:30, 31a

5. When they realized that God had visited them, and was aware of their affliction, what did they do? Exodus 4:31b

C. The First Message to Pharaoh and Its Results: Read Exodus 5:1-6:19

1. When Moses and Aaron gave God's message to Pharaoh, what was his reply?
 - a. Exodus 5: 2a _____
 - b. Exodus 5: 2b _____
 2. When they repeated their request what did Pharaoh accuse them of doing? Exodus 5:4, 5

- NOTE:** *Let* in this verse is an archaic word meaning to hinder; impede; prevent.
3. Therefore, what three commands did Pharaoh give the taskmasters of Israel?
 - a. Exodus 5:7a _____
 - b. Exodus 5:7b _____
 - c. Exodus 5:8 _____
 4. What was done to the officers of the people of Israel when the slaves under them were not able to do what Pharaoh had commanded? Exodus 5:14

 5. Therefore, to whom did they complain? Exodus 5:15, 16 _____

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6. What reply was given to them? Exodus 5:17, 18

7. What did the officers realize after this? Exodus 5:19

8. Therefore, to whom did they go? Exodus 5:20

9. To whom did he in turn go? Exodus 5:22a

10. How did Moses feel? Exodus 5:22b, 23 and *THINK!*

11. After reminding Moses of who He was and the covenant He had made with Israel (Exodus 6:1-4), and the fact that He knew all that was happening to them now, (Exodus 6:5), what did God say He would do for the Israelites?

a. Exodus 6:6

b. Exodus 6:7a

c. Exodus 6:8

12. What would they know as a result? Exodus 6:7b

13. When Moses gave this message to the Israelites what was their response, and why? Exodus 6:9

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was the condition of the Israelites better now or worse? Would any of them want to stay in Egypt? What would they probably want to do, and when?

2. If I am in bondage to Satan will conditions *ever* get better than they are now? What might God allow in order to make me want to be freed from this bondage? _____

MOSES' CONTINUED APPEARANCES BEFORE PHARAOH

Exodus 6:10–8:19

We have seen how very definitely Pharaoh refused God's first command through Moses to let Israel go and serve God. Read now to discover God's further directions to Moses and what happened as these directions were carried out:

A. The Second Message to Pharaoh and Its Results: Read Exodus 6:10-13, 6:28-7:13

1. What did God again tell Moses to do? Exodus 6:10, 11

2. What was Moses' response to this? Exodus 6:12, 30 _____
3. What was God's answer to this? Exodus 7:2a

4. What two things would God do after this? Exodus 7:3
a. _____
b. _____
5. What would be Pharaoh's response? Exodus 7:4a

6. Then how would God bring forth His people from Egypt? Exodus 7:4

7. What would the Egyptians know as a result? Exodus 7:5

8. When Moses obeyed and worked miracles before Pharaoh, what did Pharaoh do?
a. Exodus 7:11, 12 _____
b. Exodus 7:13 _____

B. The First Plague: Read Exodus 7:14-24

1. Because of Pharaoh's refusal to obey (Exodus 7:14-16), what plague did God predict (Exodus 7:14-19) and then send on Egypt? Exodus 7:20, 21

- NOTE: A plague is that which smites or troubles; any afflictive evil.
2. What did God say Pharaoh would know as a result of this plague? Exodus 7:17a _____

 3. What did Pharaoh's magicians then do? Exodus 7:22a

 4. What two things did Pharaoh do as a result? Exodus 7:22b

C. The Second Plague: Read Exodus 7:25-8:14

1. What message did God again send Moses to tell Pharaoh? Exodus 8:1

2. What did He say He would do if Pharaoh refused to obey? Exodus 8:2-4

3. After God sent this plague (Exodus 8:5, 6), what did Pharaoh's magicians do? Exodus 8:7 _____

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4. Notice, however, that their power was limited. What could they evidently *not* do, which Pharaoh had to call on Moses and Aaron to do for him?
Exodus 8:5a

5. What did he promise he would do if only they would get rid of the frogs? Exodus 8:8b

6. Why did Moses and Aaron agree to do this? Exodus 8:10

7. After Moses and Aaron called on God, and God did as Pharaoh requested (Exodus 8: 9-14), what two things did Pharaoh do? Exodus 8:15

D. The Third Plague: Read Exodus 8:16-19

1. Because of Pharaoh's third refusal to obey God, what did God say Aaron should do?
Exodus 8:16_____
2. What happened when Pharaoh's magicians tried to copy Aaron in this? Exodus 8:18_

3. Of what were they then convinced? Exodus 8:19a

4. Yet what did Pharaoh still do? Exodus 8:19b_____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did God mean it when He commanded Pharaoh to let Israel go and serve Him? What did He expect Pharaoh to do, and how soon?

2. Has God ever given me a command? (See Acts 17:30b) What does He expect me to do, and how soon? What will He do if I do not obey?
(See Acts 17:31a)_____

MOSES' LATER APPEARANCES BEFORE PHARAOH

Exodus 8: 20–10:29

Three times God had sent Moses to repeat His command that Pharaoh allow Israel to go three days' journey into the wilderness to serve Him; and three times Pharaoh had emphatically, unyieldingly refused. Read now to see what happened after this:

A. The Fourth Plague: Read Exodus 8:20-32

1. After again repeating His command to Pharaoh (Exodus 8:20), what did God say He would send if Pharaoh refused to obey? Exodus 8:21

 2. Who would not have to endure this plague? Exodus 8:22a, 23a

 3. What would this prove to Pharaoh? Exodus 8:22b

 4. After God had sent this plague (Exodus 8:24), how did Pharaoh try to get Moses and Aaron to *compromise* (adjust by concessions) with him?
Exodus 8:25 _____
 5. Why did Moses say they could not do this? Exodus 8:26, 27

 6. On what condition did Pharaoh finally agree to let them go and sacrifice? Exodus 8:28

 7. Of what did Moses warn Pharaoh as he agreed to entreat God on Pharaoh's behalf?
Exodus 8:29b _____
- NOTE:** *Entreat* (en-TREET) means to ask earnestly; to petition with urgency.
8. Yet after God had removed the flies (Exodus 8:30, 31), what two things did Pharaoh still do? Exodus 8:32 _____

B. The Fifth Plague: Read Exodus 9: 1-7

1. Once more God repeated His command to Pharaoh (Exodus 9:1). Then what did He say He would send if Pharaoh still refused to obey?
Exodus 9: 2, 3 _____
- NOTE:** *Murrain* (MUR-in) was a fatal pestilence (disease) among cattle.
2. Who again would be spared from this plague? Exodus 9:4 _____
 3. Notice that Pharaoh was interested enough to send and find out that not one of the cattle of the Israelites had died, yet what two things did he still do? Exodus 9:7b

C. The Sixth Plague: Read Exodus 9: 8-12

1. Notice that this time God did not repeat His command. He simply sent the judgment. What was it this time? Exodus 9:8-10 _____
2. Who was especially affected by this judgment? Exodus 9:11 _____
3. Yet what two things did Pharaoh still do? Exodus 9:12

D. The Seventh Plague: Read Exodus 9: 13-35

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1. As God again repeated His command to Pharaoh (Exodus 9:13), what did He warn that He would do if Pharaoh did not obey? Exodus 9: 14a, 15a

2. What would be His special reason for doing this? Exodus 9:14b, 16

3. What judgment would He send immediately? Exodus 9:18

4. What did He warn Pharaoh to do before it should come? Exodus 9:19

5. Did any of the Egyptians heed this warning? Exodus 9:20, 21

6. What accompanied the hail as it came? Exodus 9: 23, 24 _____
7. What was destroyed because of this judgment? Exodus 9:25, 31

8. What place alone was free from this judgment? Exodus 9:26

9. What did Pharaoh then promise to do, if this judgment should be stopped? Exodus 9: 27, 28 _____
10. Why did Moses agree to ask God to stop the judgment? Exodus 9: 29

11. Yet after it stopped, what two things did Pharaoh and his servants still do? Exodus 9:34, 35 _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Were these later judgments lesser or greater than the earlier ones? Why?

2. If I steadfastly, repeatedly refuse to obey God's commands what may I expect to continue to happen to me?

MOSES' FINAL APPEARANCES BEFORE PHARAOH Exodus 10–11

After seven plagues which became progressively worse, and which caused much annoyance, suffering and destruction to the people of Egypt, their cattle and their crops, Pharaoh still was not convinced that Jehovah was the true God, and that He should be obeyed. Therefore, read to see what happened in the days which followed:

A. The Eighth Plague: Read Exodus 10:1-20

1. What new reason did God state for His showing His signs before the Egyptians?
Exodus 10:1b, 2

2. What new judgment did God predict if Pharaoh should still refuse to let Israel go?
Exodus 10: 3, 4

NOTE: The name *locust* is properly applied to several types of grasshoppers, especially a certain migratory species destructive to vegetation.

3. What would these locusts destroy? Exodus 10:5, 6

4. Who at this time believed Moses enough to advise Pharaoh to let Israel go? Exodus 10:7a

5. What did they say had already happened to the land of Egypt?
Exodus 10:7b _____
6. Although Moses and Aaron were called back to see Pharaoh (Exodus 10:8-10), not all of the Israelites were given permission to go. Which ones alone received permission? Exodus 10:11 _____
7. Since they could not accept this offer, God sent the plague of locusts. How bad was it?
Exodus 10:14, 15 _____
8. What did Pharaoh then realize? Exodus 10: 16

9. What did he ask Moses and Aaron to do? Exodus 10:17

10. Yet after Moses and Aaron did this, what two things did Pharaoh do?
Exodus 10: 20

B. The Ninth Plague: Read Exodus 10:21-29

1. What new plague was then sent upon Egypt? Exodus 10:21, 22

2. Who again did not suffer from this plague? Exodus 10:23

3. After only three days of this darkness, what new compromise did Pharaoh try to make with Moses and Aaron? Exodus 10: 24

4. Why did they say they could not do this? Exodus 10:25, 26

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5. What two things did Pharaoh again do? Exodus 10:27

6. What else did he also tell Moses and Aaron at this time? Exodus 10:28

C. The Tenth Plague: Read Exodus 11

1. How many plagues did God say He would yet bring upon Egypt?
Exodus 11:1a

2. After this, what would Pharaoh do besides let Israel go? Exodus 11:1b

3. What did Moses then tell Pharaoh would happen, and when? Exodus 11:4, 5

4. Therefore, what would be heard in all Egypt? Exodus 11:6

5. Who would not suffer from this plague? Exodus 11:7

6. What would Pharaoh's servants do after this? Exodus 11:8

7. Even after this solemn prediction, what did Pharaoh still do? Exodus 11:10

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was Pharaoh able to carry out his determination not to obey God? Did it profit him in any way to make such a determination?

2. Can anyone today succeed fully in refusing to obey God, or to acknowledge His right to rule over him? (See Romans 14:11, 12). What will happen to such a person in the end? (See Proverbs 29:1). What will be his final judgment? (See Revelation 21:8). Would I like to be such a person? What must I do to avoid this fate?

GOD'S FINAL JUDGMENT ON EGYPT

Exodus 12: 1–13:16

Since Pharaoh's heart was for the tenth time hardened, and he was set in his determination to not obey God's command, there was nothing for God to do but to send the terrible judgment He had warned about from the very beginning. See now what took place among the Israelites before this judgment, and among the Egyptians afterwards:

A. God's Instructions to Israel: Read Exodus 12:1-28

1. What was this month to be to the Israelites in the future? Exodus 12:2

2. What was each family, or each two families, to do on the tenth day of this month? Exodus 12:3, 4

3. What were four requirements for the animal to be used? Exodus 12:5

4. What three things were they to do with this animal on the 14th day of the month?
 - a. Exodus 12:6b _____
 - b. Exodus 12:7 _____
 - c. Exodus 12:8 _____
5. What must they take care *not* to do in the killing and eating of this lamb? Exodus 12:46c

6. How were they to dress for the eating of this feast? Exodus 12:11a

7. How were they to eat this feast? Exodus 12:11b

8. What was the feast to be called? Exodus 12:11c

9. What would the Lord do when He saw the blood on their houses? Exodus 12:12, 13

10. How long were they to continue celebrating this feast? Exodus 12:14

11. How long was the feast to last each year? Exodus 12: 15, 18, 19

12. To whom did Moses repeat God's instructions? Exodus 12:21-27

13. What did the people do after receiving God's instructions? Exodus 12:28

14. What would this require on their part? (See Hebrews 11:28)

B. The Tenth Plague Sent: Read Exodus 12:29-36

1. Did God carry out the tenth plague as predicted? Exodus 12:29a

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2. Who were among those who died? Exodus 12:29b
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
3. What two things did Pharaoh and all his servants do after this? Exodus 12:30

4. What did he command Moses and Aaron to do? Exodus 12:31, 32

5. Who else also urged them to go? Exodus 12:33

6. What did the Israelites do before they left? Exodus 12:35, 36

(See Genesis 15:14; Exodus 3:21, 22, 11: 2, 3 for God's predictions and instructions.)

C. Later Instructions Concerning the Passover: Read Exodus 12:43-13: 16

1. Who might eat the feast of the Passover? Exodus 12:43b, 47, 48

2. What did God say of all the firstborn children and cattle of Israel after the first Passover? Exodus 13:1, 2, 11-16

3. What were they to do at each observance of this feast in the future? Exodus 13:8 _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. How would the Israelites feel because God spared their firstborn children and cattle in this judgment? Would they mind having to sacrifice all firstborn cattle, and having to redeem their firstborn children with money?

2. Why do most people today not celebrate the Passover feast? Who later fulfilled all the requirements of the Passover lamb, and thus made it possible for God to "pass over" us in time of judgment? (See John 1:29, 36, 19: 33, 36; Revelation 13:8b)

THE JOURNEY OUT OF EGYPT

Exodus 13:17–15

Because of God's supernatural working in sending the ten plagues upon Egypt, Israel was now free to leave this land. Discover now what happened as they began their journey:

A. The Journey Begun: Read Exodus 12:37-42

1. How many Israelites left Egypt? Exodus 12:37

NOTE: Bible scholars estimate that this made a total of 1 ½ to 2 million in all.

2. What four things did they take with them as they left? Exodus 12:38b, 34, 39 (See Hebrews 11:27)
3. How long had it been since their forefathers came to Egypt? Exodus 12:40

B. Guidance for the Journey: Read Exodus 13:17-22

1. What would have been the shortest route from Egypt to Canaan?

Exodus 13:17a _____

Trace this route on a map.

2. Why did God not lead the Israelites that way? Exodus 13:17b

3. Through what place did He lead them instead? Exodus 13:18

4. What did they take with them as they went? Exodus 13:19

5. From Rameses to what three places did they travel? Exodus 12:37, 13: 20

Trace this route on a map

6. How did they know which way the Lord wanted them to go? Exodus 13:21, 22 _____

C. A Problem on the Journey: Read Exodus 14:1-31

1. After the Israelites had left Egypt, why was Pharaoh sorry he had let them go? Exodus 14:5b _____

2. What did he decide to do? Exodus 14:6-9

3. When the Israelites saw the Egyptians drawing near, how did they feel? Exodus 14:10a _____

4. What did they do? Exodus 14:10b _____

5. What did they fear might happen to them? Exodus 14:11, 12 _____

6. But what did Moses promise them? Exodus 14:13, 14 _____

7. What did the Lord say the Israelites should do? Exodus 14:15

8. What was Moses to do to make this possible? Exodus 14:16

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9. What would the Egyptians then do? Exodus 14:17 _____
10. What would the Egyptians know after this? Exodus 14:18 _____
11. What two things did God do to protect Israel from the Egyptians that night? a. Exodus 14:19a _____
c. Exodus 14:19b, 20 _____
12. When Moses lifted up his rod what did God send to divide the water and dry the ground? Exodus 14:21 (See Hebrews 11:29) _____
13. After Israel had entered the sea and the Egyptians began following them, what two things did the Lord do against the Egyptians? Exodus 14: 24, 25a _____
14. What did the Egyptians realize? Exodus 14:25b _____
15. What did the Lord tell Moses to do? Exodus 14:26a _____
16. When Moses did this, what was the result to the Egyptians? Exodus 14:27, 28 _____
17. When the Israelites saw this what three things did they do? Exodus 14:31 _____
18. As Moses sang a song to the Lord after this (Exodus 15), what did he say the inhabitants of Palestine and Canaan would do when they heard about this? Exodus 15:14-17 _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. After this, would Pharaoh ever be able to bring Israel back into bondage? _____
2. Who, like Moses, was spared from death in infancy that he might free his people from bondage? (See Matthew 2:1-18; John 8:34-36) If I have been delivered by Him, can Satan ever take me captive again? (See 1 Corinthians 10: 13) What should I expect God to do for me when this is threatened? Exodus 14:14 _____

THE JOURNEY INTO THE WILDERNESS

Exodus 15–16

After the great triumph of the Lord at the Red Sea, the Israelites were completely rid of any threat from Pharaoh, and free to journey toward their own land. Trace this journey on a map and notice what happened at each place:

A. The First Great Problem: Read Exodus 15:20-27

1. What were the people doing as once more they began their journey?
Exodus 15:1, 20, 21 _____
2. After three days in the wilderness of Shur, what problem did they face? Exodus 15:22b _____
3. Although there was water at Marah, why did it not meet the need?
Exodus 15:23 _____
4. What was the people's reaction to this need? Exodus 15:24

5. What did Moses do about the need? Exodus 15:25a

6. What was God's answer to this need? Exodus 15:25b

7. Of what was this miracle to remind them? Exodus 15:26b

8. What did the people find at Elim? Exodus 15:27

B. The Second Great Problem: Read Exodus 16:1-36

1. When they came to the wilderness of Sin after 1½ months, what problem did they face?
Exodus 16:3b _____
2. What was the people's reaction to this need? Exodus 16:2, 3a

3. Was God pleased with the people's reaction? Exodus 16:7b, 8b, 9b, 12

4. What two things did God say He would give them to meet this need?
Exodus 16:8a, 12 _____
5. How did God fulfill His promise?
 - a. Exodus 16:13a _____
 - b. Exodus 16:13b-15, 4a _____
6. Describe the manna that God gave:
 - a. How large was it? Exodus 16:14c _____
 - b. What shape was it? Exodus 16:14b _____
 - c. What color was it? Exodus 16:31a _____
 - d. What did it taste like? Exodus 16:31b _____
 - e. How did they prepare it for eating? Exodus 16:23b _____
7. Notice the rules God gave concerning it:
 - a. What must they do before they could benefit from it? Exodus 16:4b _____

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- b. How often must they gather it? Exodus 16:4c _____
- c. What time of day must they gather it? Exodus 16:21b _____
- d. What must they ordinarily not do with it? Exodus 16:19 _____
- e. What happened when some of them did this? Exodus 16:20 _____
- f. For what day was there an exception to this rule? Exodus 16:5, 22, 23 _____
- g. What miracle took place in this case? Exodus 16:24 _____
- h. What happened when some of the people tried to gather it on the Sabbath day?
Exodus 16:27 _____
8. Where was some of the manna placed? Exodus 16:33, 34 _____
9. How long did God continue to provide manna for them? Exodus 16:35 _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Who is the bread of heaven on whom our souls may feed today? (See John 6: 32, 33)

2. How may I gather this food today? Would some of the same rules apply?

THE JOURNEY TO REPHIDIM Exodus 17–18

After God’s miraculous supply of bread and water for the Israelites, problems continued to confront them. Notice how God’s previous provisions for them affected them as they continued on their journey:

A. The Third Great Problem: Read Exodus 17: 1-7

1. When the people arrived at Rephidim, what great problem did they face? Exodus 17:1b

2. What did the people do because of this problem? Exodus 17:2, 3

3. What did Moses fear they would do to him because of this problem? Exodus 17:4b____

4. What did Moses do about this problem? Exodus 17:4a

5. What did God tell Moses to do that this need might be met?
Exodus 17:5, 6 _____

B. The Fourth Great Problem: Read Exodus 17:8-16

1. What other great problem did Israel face at Rephidim? Exodus 17:8

2. Who led the troops of Israel in war against this enemy? Exodus 17:9a, 10a

3. What did Moses do? Exodus 17:9b, 10b

4. What two things happened as the battle progressed that day? Exodus 17:11
a. _____
b. _____
5. Was it easy for Moses to continue holding up his hands? Exodus 17:12a

6. What two things did they do to make it possible for him to continue this?
a. Exodus 17:12b _____
b. Exodus 17:12c _____
7. What did his holding up his hands show he was doing? (*THINK!*)

8. What was the outcome of this battle? Exodus 17: 13

NOTE: Discomfit (dis-COM-fit) means to scatter in fight; to put to rout.

C. The Fifth Great Problem: Read Exodus 18:1-27

1. Who came to visit with Moses after he arrived at Rephidim? Exodus 18:5, 6

2. About what did Moses tell his visitor? Exodus 18:8

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3. What was Jethro's reaction to all that he heard? Exodus 18:9, 10
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4. What did he realize because of these events? Exodus 18:11
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5. What did he do after this? Exodus 18:12
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6. What did Moses do all day, the next day? Exodus 18:13
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7. What did his father-in-law say about this? Exodus 18:14-17
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8. What did he say might happen if Moses continued to do this? Exodus 18:18
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9. What did he suggest that Moses do to solve this problem? Exodus 18:21, 22
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10. Did Moses feel that this was good advice? Exodus 18: 24-26
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was there anything Israel needed that God did not provide?
(See Philippians 4: 19)_____
2. Therefore, what should have been their reaction, and what should be mine,
in the face of every need? (See Philippians 4: 6, 7)
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