

Genesis 47:28-48:22

Jacob's Approach to Death Teaches Us Practical Lessons about Life/Death

Sensing His Death Was Approaching, Jacob Has His Son Joseph Promise to Bury Him in Canaan Not in Egypt 47:28-31

We "See" Jacob's Faith in KEY Promises of God/His Godly Perspective on Life/Death

In humble recognition that God's purposes are much bigger than we are but without becoming morbid, believers should anticipate our death and inform our loved ones about our wishes for how to proceed with what the LORD leaves behind after we are promoted ("absent from the body, face to face with the LORD").

Jacob Surprises Joseph and the Whole Family By Giving Special Honor To Joseph Through Giving Special Blessings to His Two Sons 48:1-20

Surprise Part 1: Jacob Adopts His Grandsons-Manasseh and Ephraim 48:1-13

Jacob said to Joseph, God Almighty appeared to me at Luz in Canaan and blessed me, and said I will make you fruitful/multiply you...and will give this land to your offspring for an everlasting possession. ...now your two sons, who were born to you in the land of Egypt...are mine; Ephraim and Manasseh shall be mine, as Reuben and Simeon are.

Surprise Part 2: Jacob Gives Special Blessing to Ephraim > Manasseh 48:14-20

Jacob's Testimony: the God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, the God who has been my Shepherd all my life to this day, the angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the boys; and in them let my name be carried on, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude...

In the OT all sons were heirs but some sons (in most cases this would begin with the first born son) based on the choice of their Father would be special heirs.

Jacob Gives Joseph a City in Canaan v21-22

Then Israel said to Joseph, behold, I am about to die, but God will be with you...I have given to you rather than to your brothers the slope I took from the Amorites...

Jacob Lived and Died in Hope = + Anticipation of the Fulfillment of KEY Promises God Had Made to Him, His Father (Isaac) and His Grandfather (Abraham)...Believers Today Should Rest in God's Promises about the Future Even As We Engage in Life on Earth Now

Take This To Heart

Our life on earth is a great gift, but it passes quickly. We should appreciate this and actively invest ourselves in the lives of others to the glory of God while looking forward to our ultimate home in Heaven. As we do this we should prioritize our family

Background for NT Believers as We Think about OT Believers

Paraphrase of Hebrews 11:13-16/39 (See Also 1 Peter 1:9-12)

(OT believers like A-I-J) died in faith not having received the promises (of a Land, a Seed-involving a great nation and Superlative Blessing thru the Savior) but they “saw” them (faith directed forward = “Hope”) from a time distance, they greeted them (embraced them as the core of their POV) and recognized they were foreigners and temporary residents on Earth....they were looking forward to a homeland (above and beyond their lifetimes on Earth such that they set their hearts on a better place a Heavenly One. T4 God is pleased to be called their God and He has prepared a place for them....all of these (OT Believers) were approved by God (and directed) through their faith (in promises God had given them, that He would fulfill in the future centered on Messiah Jesus) even though they did not receive what was promised during their lifetimes on Earth.

John 8:56-59 (NT Scripture Set in an OT Context)

Jesus said: your father Abraham was overjoyed that he could see My day; he saw it and rejoiced. The Jewish Leaders replied you aren't 50 years old, and you've seen Abraham? Jesus said to them, I assure you: before Abraham was, I am! At that, they picked up stones to throw at Him...

Romans 4:1-5 (NT Scripture Set in a NT Church Context)

What then can we say that Abraham, our physical ancestor, has found? If Abraham was justified by works, he has something to brag about—but he was not justified by works before God! For what does the Scripture (Genesis 15) say? Abraham believed God and it was credited to him for righteousness. Now to the one who works, his pay is not considered as a gift, but as something his employer owes him. But to the one who does not work, but believes on Him who declares the ungodly to be righteous, that person's faith is credited for righteousness (legally in God's sight). See also Philippians 3:8-9



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STORY OF JOSEPH

Ron Miller Is Always Happy to Share
The Fact That Pastor B Can Be Hard
To Take at Times...

...But After Many Hours of Research, I
Was Able to Find at One Pastor Who is
Even Worse-Proven by 3 Different
Headlines Over the Last Few Months

**Out of Touch,
Uncaring
and Unrealistic
Pastor Continues to
Insist Major Weekly
Church Services
Each Fall Should...**

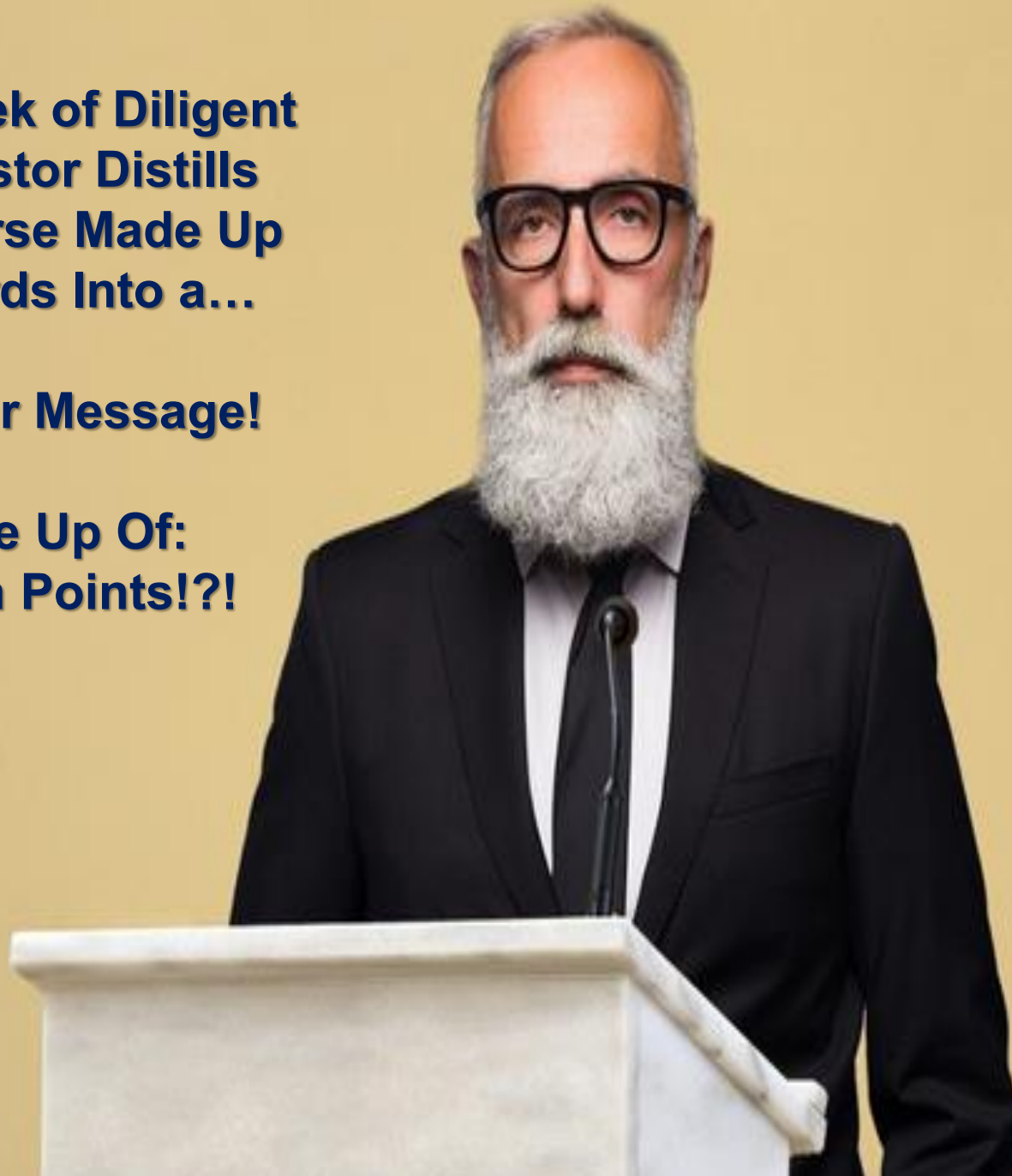
**...Meet on the Same
Day NFL Teams Play
Most of Their Games!**



**After a Week of Diligent
Study Pastor Distills
1 Bible Verse Made Up
of 11 Words Into a...**

...3.5 Hour Message!

**...Made Up Of:
666 Main Points!?!**



**Long-Time Pastor
Resigns in Disgrace
After Admitting...**

**...He Hates Casseroles!
...But Loves Cheetos!**



Genesis 37-50

The Redeeming Power of Perseverance
and Forgiveness In Believers Who
Actively Rest and Live in Light of
The Sovereignty/Providence of God

Genesis 50:20/Romans 8:28



GOD

**God Deserves Praise
For All Good**

**Creatures Deserve Blame
For All Sin/Evil**

Romans 8:28

God causes all things to work
together for good

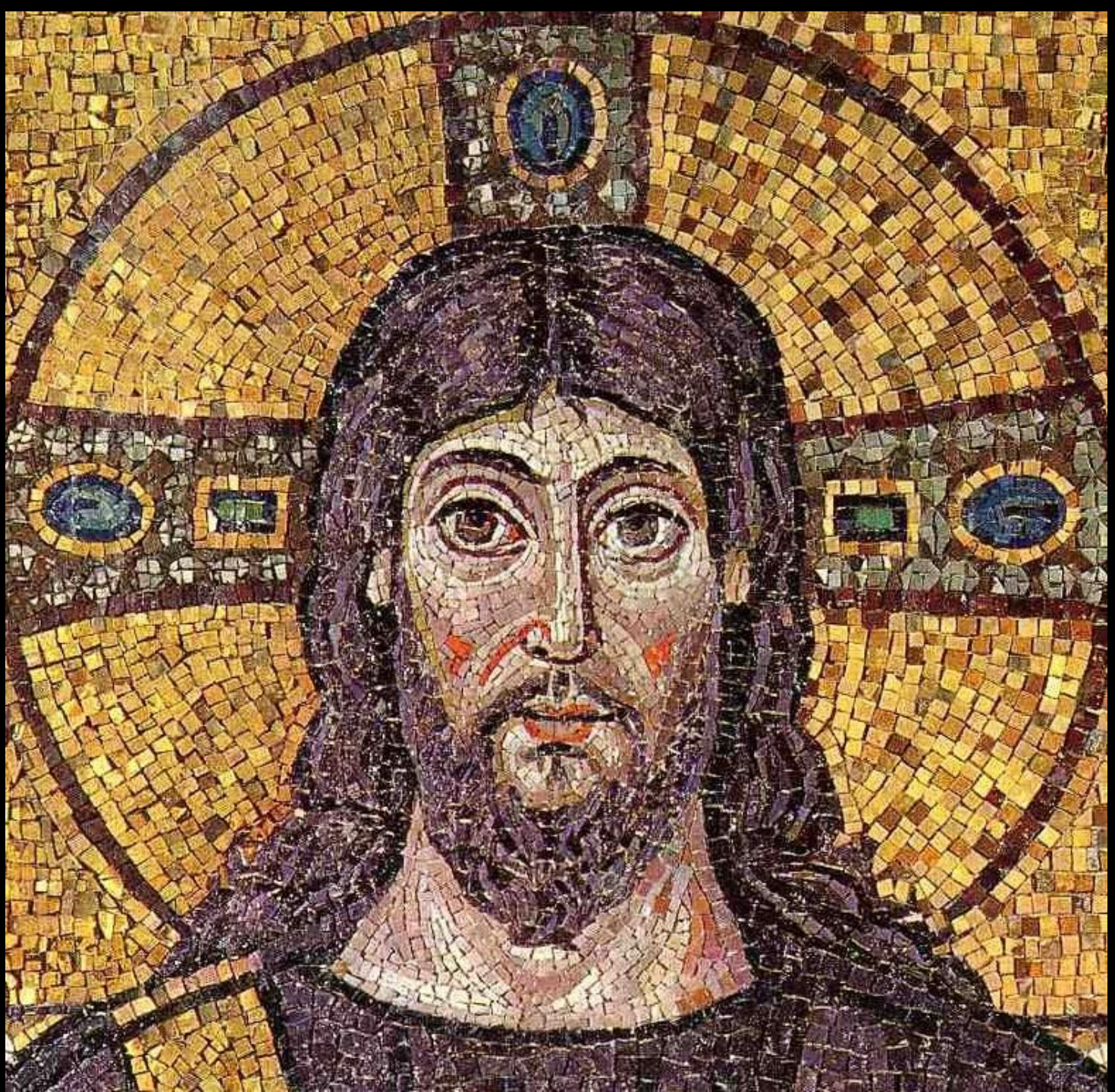
DOES NOT TEACH

ALL THINGS are Good (Murder)

DOES TEACH

God Works ALL THINGS TOGETHER for Good
(Like a Mosaic)





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**Abraham, Isaac, Jacob
(and Jacob's 12 Sons)**



2000 BC

430 BC



45 AD

96 AD

Genesis - Malachi

Matthew - Revelation

Gen 37-50

ONE MAJOR PREMISE:

All Humans are Sinners/Die...

ONE MAJOR PREMISE:

Jesus of Nazareth is the Savior/Alive...

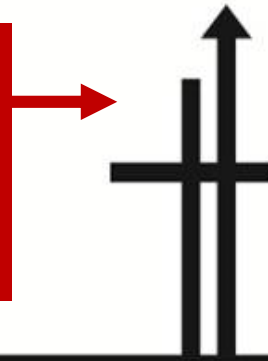
ONE MAJOR PROMISE:

...the Savior is Coming!

ONE MAJOR PROMISE:

...the Savior is Coming Back!

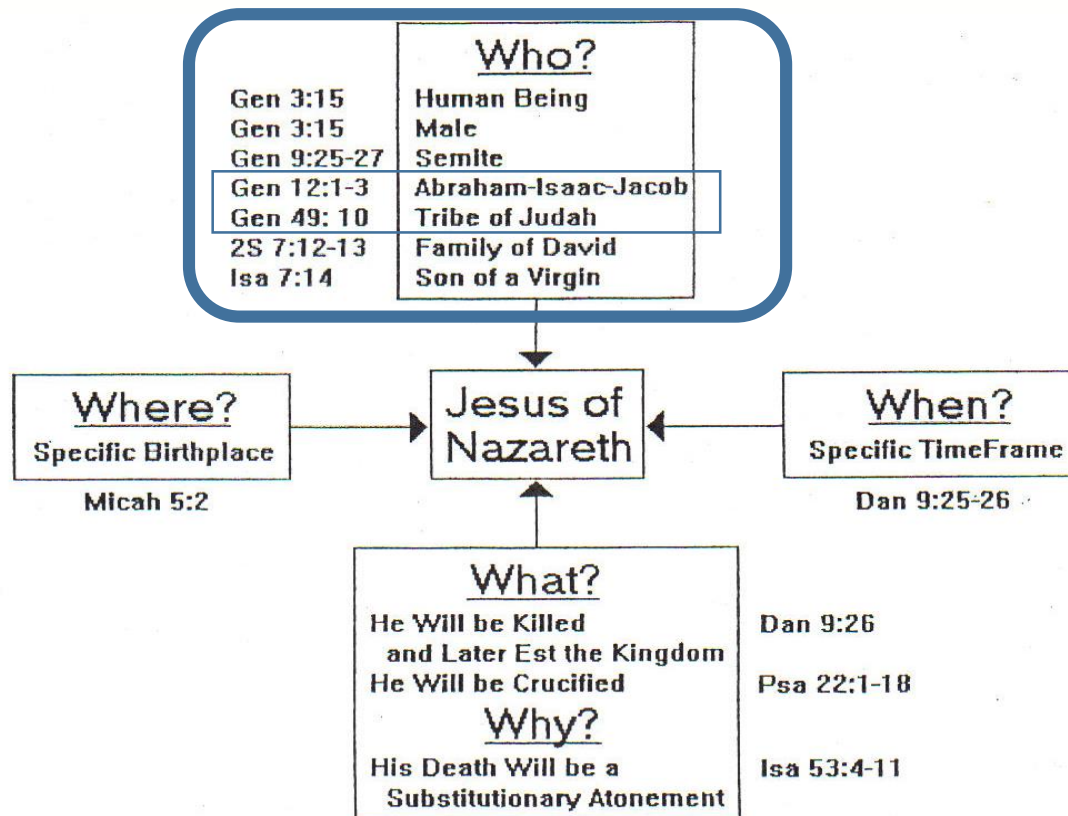
Faith Directed
Forward To
The Promised Savior



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Matthew - Revelation



Genesis 28:3-4

May God Almighty bless you and make you fruitful and multiply you, that you may become a company of peoples. May He also give you the blessing of Abraham, to you and to your descendants with you, that you may possess the land of your sojournings, which God gave to Abraham.

Genesis 35:11-12

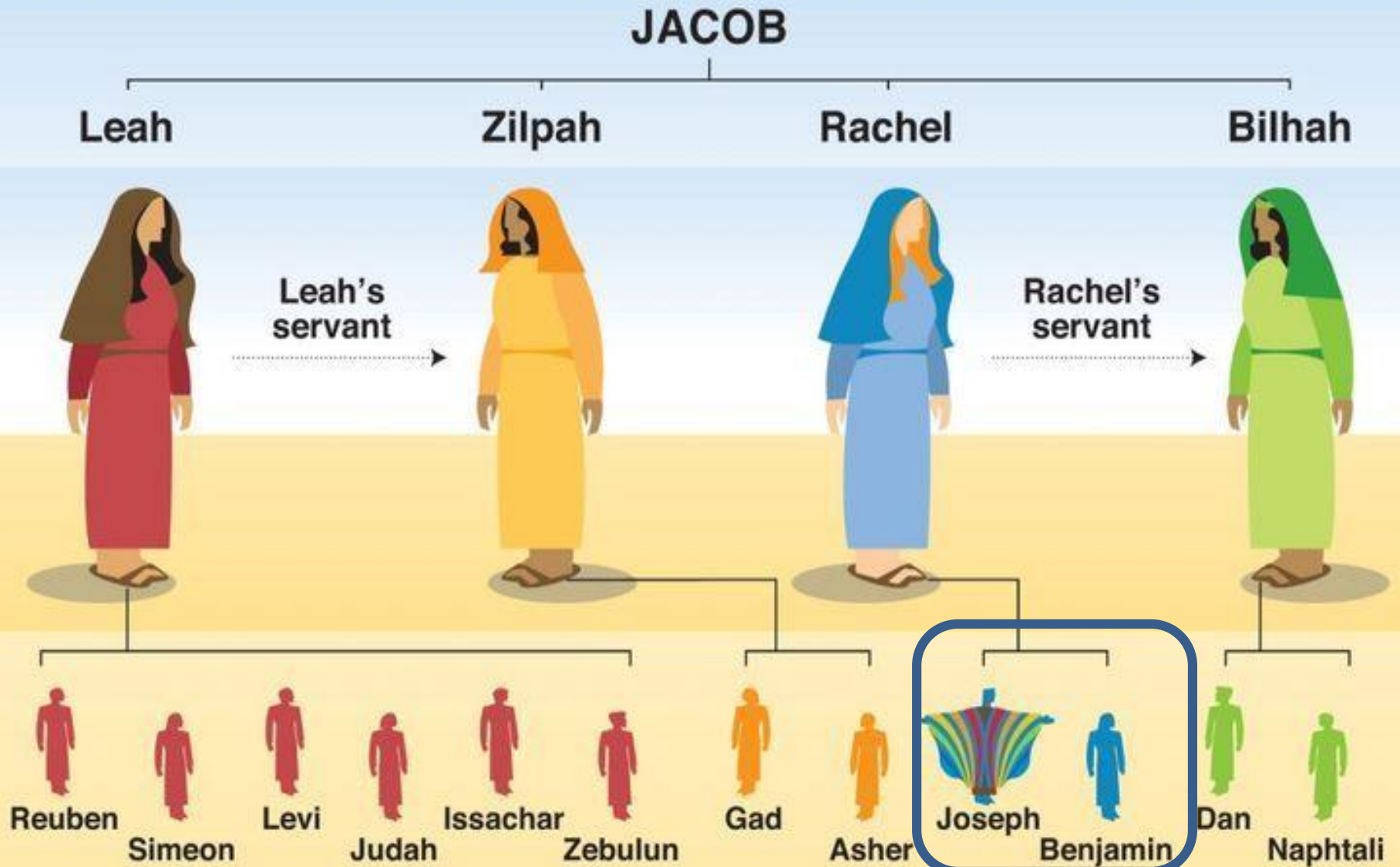
I am God Almighty; be fruitful and multiply; because a nation...shall come from you and kings shall come forth from you. The land which I gave to Abraham and Isaac, I will give it to you, and I will give the land to your descendants after you. Genesis 35:11-12

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Jacob's Family



Genesis 35:16-20

Then they journeyed from Bethel and when there was still some distance to go to Ephrath, Rachel began to give birth and she suffered severe labor. When she was in severe labor the midwife said to her...now you have another son." It came about as her soul was departing (for she died), that she named him Ben-oni; but his father called him Benjamin. So Rachel died and was buried outside of Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem). Jacob set up a pillar over her grave; that is the pillar of Rachel's grave to this day.

Matthew 8:11-12

I say to you that many (Gentiles–Romans 9:30–10:3) will come from the east and west, and recline with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven;¹² but (many of) the sons of the Kingdom (the physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob....the Jewish People) will be cast out into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

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Epilogue 22:6-21

Control Room
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Ch 20

**New Heaven
New Earth**
Ch 21-22

**July 7
2019**

Rapture of the Church

42 Months + 42 Months

Rise of
Antichrist

Israel at
Peace

Rule of
Antichrist

Israel
Persecuted

Return of Jesus

John on Patmos
Ch 1

