

The Life of Joseph: Genesis 41

The Redeeming Power of Perseverance and Forgiveness in Believers
Who Fully Live Out Their Faith Under the Sovereignty of God

Genesis 37: From Favorite Son to Foreign Slave

Genesis 38: Joseph's +R Character Contrasted with Judah's Sinful Character

Genesis 39: From Slave to Household Supervisor...from Sex Criminal to Prison Supervisor

Genesis 40: New Friends with Big Dreams...Same Old (Faithful) Joseph

The Pharaoh Had Dreams Which Demanded Interpretation 41:1-8

Human Leaders Can Be Totally Unaware of God's Providential Working All Around Them

The Royal Butler/Cupbearer "Suddenly" Remembered Joseph and the Prisoner Found Himself Standing before the Pharaoh 41:9-36

God Can't and Won't Forget Us, Even When People Do, But...

...When They Need Something from Us, They Often "Suddenly" Remember Us Again!

The Prisoner Is Made the Prime Minister by the Proclamation of the Pharaoh and the Providence of the LORD v37-57

God Can Use His People to Explain the Revelation of His Person/Program to the World

Seeing God's Hand on Joseph, Pharaoh Appointed Him to a High Position over the Egyptian Government and He Becomes a Member of the Social Elite...and Yet Joseph Doesn't Let This "Prosperity Test" Cause Him to Water Down His Walk with the LORD.

What the Bible Teaches about Physical/Financial Prosperity

Believers Who Recognize Their Successes in the World are a Function of God's Providential Work Will Be Better Able Not To Falter Spiritually When They are Blessed with Physical/Financial Prosperity



5/5/19 Genesis 41

STORY OF JOSEPH

Proverbs 30:7-9

Two things I ask of You...give me neither poverty
nor wealth; just feed me with the food I need.

Otherwise

I might have too much and deny You saying

"Who is the LORD?" **Prosperity Test**

Or I might have nothing and steal and profane

the name of my God. **Adversity Test**

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One Sunday every year, the K-SS Class would attend the Main Worship Service. While walking the kids to the auditorium, their teacher asked, "Do you remember why it is so important for all of us to be very quiet after we sit down for the service?"

Little Sally spoke up and said "Yes Teacher! All of us must be very quiet because..."

...a lot of people in the auditorium

will be sleeping!"

Genesis 37-50 Life of Joseph

The Redeeming Power of Perseverance
and Forgiveness (Loving God/Others)

In Believers Who Actively Rest/Live

In Light of The Sovereignty of God

The LORD
Was (Continually)
With Joseph

BIG P > BIG Ms

The Basic Old Testament Hebrew Names for God

יהוה

Yahweh

"LORD"

The Covenant Name
implies relationship
Basic Meaning: Self-Existing
One

אלוהים

Elohim

"God"

Generic Name
Basic Meaning: Transcendent
One

אדוני

Adonai

"Lord"

Generic Name
Basic Meaning: Sovereign
One

אל שדי (El Shaddai)
"God Almighty"

El is a shortened form of Elohim
Shaddai means All-Mighty

CH37: From Favorite Son to Foreign Slave

CH38: Joseph's +R/Faithfulness > Judas' -R/Faithlessness

CH39: From Slave to Supervisor > Potiphar House...

...From Sex Criminal to Supervisor > Jail House

CH 40: From Fellow Inmate/Friend...

...to Forgotten Memory

CH 41: From Prisoner to Prime Minister

Genesis 41

Pharaoh's Dreams Need Interpretation v1-8

The Butler "Suddenly" Remembers Joseph v9-36

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By the Proclamation of Pharaoh < the Providence of God



Dothan
Shechem
Jericho
Hebron

GOSHEN
Raamses
Heliopolis
Memphis

Psalm 105

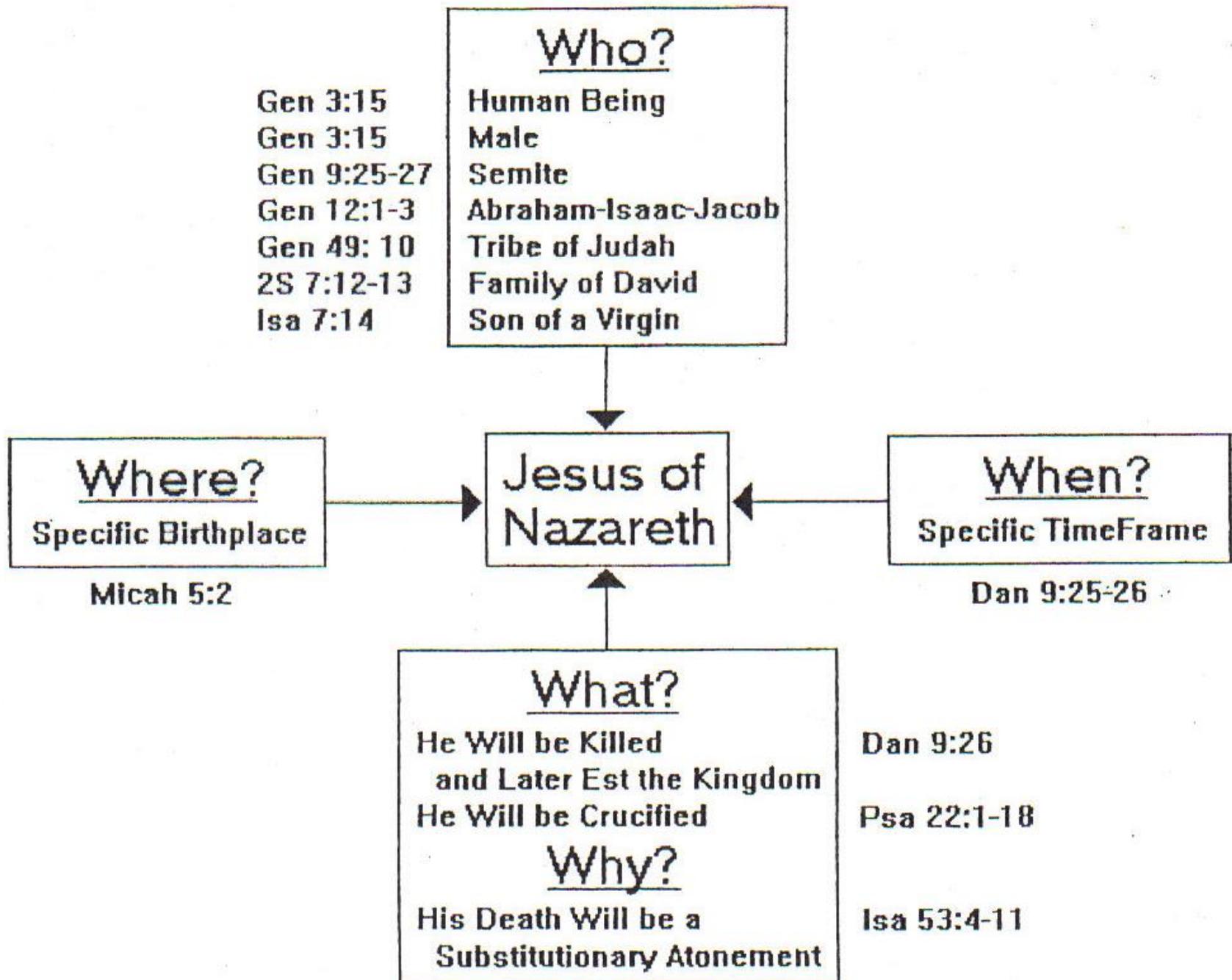
He is the LORD our God; His judgments are over all the Earth.

He has remembered His covenant...which He made with **Abraham**, and His oath to **Isaac** and **Jacob**...saying, to you I will give the land of Canaan as the portion of your inheritance when they were only a few men in number

And He called for a famine upon the land...He sent a man before them **Joseph**, who was sold as a slave...**He** was put in irons; until the time that **his** word came to pass...The king sent and released **him**, the ruler of peoples and set **him** free. He made **him** lord of his house and ruler over all his possessions and his princes so that **he** could teach his elders wisdom.

Israel also came into Egypt; and **Jacob** sojourned in the land of Ham.

And the LORD caused His people to be very fruitful, and made them stronger than their adversaries.



2000 BC

430 BC



45 AD

96 AD

Genesis - Malachi

Matthew - Revelation

ONE MAJOR PREMISE:

All Humans are Sinners/Die...

ONE MAJOR PREMISE:

Jesus of Nazareth is the Savior/Alive...

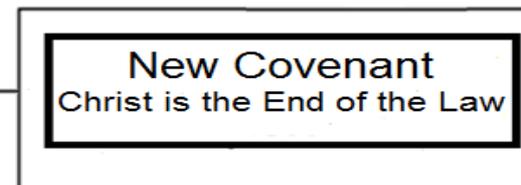
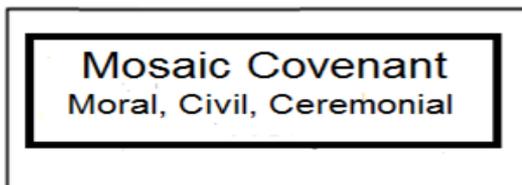
ONE MAJOR PROMISE:

...the Savior is Coming!

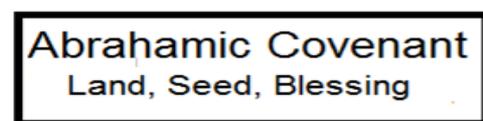
ONE MAJOR PROMISE:

...the Savior is Coming Back!

Exo 19-24/Dt 4:13



Gen 12/15



Jesus

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