

'You Meant for Evil, God Meant for Good'

Study 17: Genesis 46-50

1. Read **Genesis 46:1 – 48:11**. Why do Joseph's brothers and family move to Egypt? What was the situation that triggered their move to Egypt? Suggested Reading: *Genesis 45:16-20*
2. How many Israelites in total arrive and settle in Egypt?
3. How does Joseph respond when he sees his father, Jacob? Why do you think Joseph responded in this way?
4. In what region of Egypt do the Israelites settle? Why do they settle there?
6. Read **Genesis 49:1 – 50:26**. How does Jacob bless his son Judah? About whom specifically do you think this blessing is referring (Genesis 49:8-10)? Suggested Reading: *Revelation 5:1-5*
7. Where does Joseph bury his father after his death? Why does Joseph bury Jacob there?
8. What do Joseph's brothers think Joseph will now do as a result of their father's death? Why do you think they thought this? What do they agree to tell Joseph as a result?
9. How does Joseph immediately react when brothers share this alleged plea from Jacob? What specifically does Joseph say to his brothers after his brothers again "*fall down before him*"? What does Joseph mean by his statement in Genesis 50:20? How does Joseph know that God was working through all of the previous events to ultimately "*bring about good*"? What was that "*good*" that God brought through the brothers' betrayal of Joseph?
10. What is the message to you about God and or Joseph in the life and events of Joseph? Does Joseph remind you of any other person in the Bible? If yes, who is it and why?