

Tell the Next Generation



I. God Reunites Joseph and his Brothers and Moves Jacob to Egypt

II. God Repeats His Promise to Jacob

Scripture:

Genesis 43:16-46:7

What does this say about God and man?

- God is all-knowing
- God is all-powerful
- God is merciful, loving and gracious
- God is faithful and trustworthy (what He promises, He will do)

"God sent me before you to preserve life... to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God..."

(Genesis 45:5-8; see also Genesis 46:3-5)

- God is pleased by faith
- God communicates with man

"God sent me before you" (Genesis 45:5); "God has made me lord of all Egypt" (Genesis 45:9)

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES: Below are questions and responses to help you and your child interact with the scripture passage, and to solicit a personal response from both of you to the truths of the Bible story. Please allow the Holy Spirit to guide you to further questions and responses.

- * God kept His promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob by sending Joseph to Egypt to keep Jacob's family alive during the famine. When God makes a promise, can you trust Him to keep that promise?
- * Tell your child some promises that God makes to those who trust in Him. Thank God for those promises and ask Him to cause both of you to trust Him.
- * Joseph's brothers deserved punishment for their wrongdoings, but God mercifully allowed them to buy food during the famine and preserved them. Tell your child some other examples of God's mercy in not treating sinners as they deserve and thank Him for His mercy toward us.