

***Text: Genesis 46***

**(I) JACOB PREPARES TO GO TO EGYPT**

1. He left Canaan
2. Came to Beersheba and offered sacrifices to the Lord (Genesis 46:1)
3. He is addressed as “Israel” (Genesis 32:28)

**(II) GOD MEETS WITH JACOB**

**1. He calls Jacob (Genesis 46:2)**

- a) Gently
- b) Tenderly

**2. Kind words of assurance**

- a) I am God, the God of your father (Genesis 46:3a)
- b) Do not fear to go down to Egypt (Genesis 46:3b)
- c) I will make you a great nation there (Genesis 46:3c)
- d) I will go down with you (Genesis 46:4a)
- e) I will surely bring you up again (Genesis 46:4b)
- f) Joseph will put his hand on your eyes (Genesis 46:4c)

**(III) JACOB JOURNEYS ON TO EGYPT**

**1. He arose from this meeting with God (Genesis 46:5a)**

- a) With greater confidence
- b) With a renewed spirit

**2. He was quite old and needed to be carried by his sons (Genesis 46:5b)**

**3. Pharaoh's provision of carts (Genesis 46:5c)**

For the family members

#### **(IV) A BRIEF GENEALOGICAL NOTE**

**1. Names of the sons of Jacob**

All the sons were included

**2. Seventy people (Genesis 46:27)**

(Inclusion of Jacob, Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim)

#### **(V) WONDERFUL REUNION AT GOSHEN**

**1. Jacob arrives in Goshen (Genesis 46:28)**

**2. Joseph has a deeply emotional re-union with his father (Genesis 46:29)**

**3. Jacob expresses that he is now ready to die (Genesis 46:30)**

#### **(VI) BRIEFING THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL TO MEET WITH PHARAOH**

**1. Joseph will present his family to the Pharaoh (Genesis 46:31)**

**2. The use of the word "shepherd"**

This word was to be avoided, because this was a profession that was despised by Egyptians (**Genesis 46:34**)

**3. A more general word needed**

Occupation with livestock (**Genesis 46:33**)