

Text: Genesis 47:1-12

(I) JOSEPH MEETS THE PHARAOH

- 1. He informs the Pharaoh that his father and his siblings had arrived in Egypt (Genesis 47:1)**
- 2. They were in the land of Goshen (in the Nile delta)**
- 3. He presents five of his brothers to the Pharaoh (Genesis 47:2)**

(II) PHARAOH'S INTERVIEW WITH THE BROTHERS

1. Query of the Pharaoh

What is your occupation? (**Genesis 47:3a**)

2. Answer of the brothers

- a) They are shepherds (**Genesis 47:3b**)
- b) The famine in Canaan made it impossible to raise livestock (**Genesis 47:4a**)
- c) Plea to be allowed to stay in Goshen (**Genesis 47:4b**)

(III) PHARAOH'S WORD TO JOSEPH

1. He is not offended by the use of the word "shepherd"

2. He shows much graciousness to Joseph (Genesis 47:5-6)

- a) He allows Joseph to choose the best land for his family
- b) If they wished to stay in Goshen they may
- c) If anyone wanted to work for the Pharaoh, he would be welcome

(IV) JACOB MEETS THE PHARAOH

1. Joseph presents Jacob to the Pharaoh (Genesis 47:7a)

2. Jacob blesses the Pharaoh (Genesis 47:7b, 10)

3. Pharaoh's Conversation with Jacob

a) Query of the Pharaoh

b) Jacob's reply

i) He was only 130 years old (**Genesis 47:9**)

ii) He had not attained the years of his forebears

iii) His years were "few and evil" (**Genesis 47:9**)

(V) SETTLING DOWN IN EGYPT

1. He gave them a possession in the land of Egypt (Genesis 47:11)

2. This was in accordance to Pharaoh's command (Genesis 47:11b)

3. Joseph provided for his family (Genesis 47:12)

a) His father Jacob

b) His siblings

c) Their families

(VI) AGE OF THE PATRIARCHS

1. Abraham died at 175 years of age (Genesis 25:7)

2. Isaac died at 180 years of age (Genesis 35:2)

3. Jacob died at 147 years of age (Genesis 47:28)