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The purpose for this material: There are very few Bible Studies that encourage Christians of all ages to study God's Word. This study was written for young people to enable them to get into the Word. The purpose for this study was to stir them up to study and practice God's Word on a consistent basis. Although written for young men and women, the more mature Christians have found it as a valuable resource as well.

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LESSON 1

GENESIS 1-3

1. Who created everything? (Genesis 1:1) _____
2. Fill in the missing words: (Isaiah 45:12) "I have _____ the _____ and created _____ upon it: I, even my _____, have stretched out the _____ and all their _____ have I _____."
3. Who is John talking about in John 1:3? _____
(Also Read 1 Corinthians 8:6, Colossians 1:14-17; Hebrews 1:10.)
4. Who was made in the image of God? (Genesis 1:26, 27) _____
5. How did God give life to Adam? (Genesis 2:7) _____

6. Where did God put man (Genesis 2:15) _____
and what job did God give to Adam? (Genesis 2:8, 2:15) _____
_____.
7. What tree was Adam not to eat of? (Genesis 2:17) _____
8. Who named all the birds and animals? (Genesis 2:19) _____
9. Where did Eve come from? (Genesis 2:22) _____

10. How did Satan use the serpent in Genesis 3:1-5? Mark the correct answers with an **X**.
_____ He spoke directly to Eve.

_____ He also talked to Adam.

_____ He tried to make Eve doubt God.

_____ He told Eve she would die.

_____ He did not lie to Eve (vs. 4).

_____ He deceived Eve.

11. TRUE OR FALSE (Answers in Genesis 3.) (Mark true **T**, and false **F**.)

_____ Adam and Eve did not hide from God after they sinned.

_____ God called with his voice to Adam.

_____ Adam was not afraid.

_____ Adam blamed both Eve and God for his decision.

_____ Eve told God the truth.

_____ God cursed the serpent.

_____ God's first promise of a redeemer was given to Eve, not Adam.

_____ God did not curse the ground.

_____ Adam was the one who named Eve.

_____ Eve means the mother of all living.

_____ God made clothes for Adam and Eve from fig leaves.

_____ Sin was the cause of the first blood to be shed from an innocent animal.

_____ God let Adam continue to live in the garden without having to work.

Memory Verse: Romans 5:12

LESSON 2
GENESIS 4-5

Chapter 4

1. What was the name of Adam and Eve's first son? (Gen. 4:1) _____
2. What does his name mean? (Use a Bible Dictionary) _____

3. What did he do for a living? (vs. 2) _____
4. What was the name of Eve's second son? _____
5. What does his name mean? _____
6. What does this name remind you of? (See James 4:14) _____

7. What did Cain bring for an offering? (vs. 3) _____
8. What kind of an offering did Abel bring to the Lord? _____
9. Which sacrifice represented Jesus? _____ (Rev. 1:5; 5:9)
10. Whose sacrifice was rejected by God? _____
11. How did Cain react? _____
12. What did he do to his brother? _____
13. What did God do to Cain? _____

14. Where did Cain get his wife from? _____
15. Why was it okay to marry your brother or sister in the beginning? _____

16. Which one of Cain's descendants was a musician and what instruments did he invent and play? (vs. 21)

17. Who worked in brass and iron? _____

18. What was the name of Adam and Eve's third son? _____

19. What does his name mean? _____

Chapter 5

1. True or False: (Mark true with "T" and false with "F")

_____ This chapter is about the descendants of Adam and Eve.

_____ God made man in His own likeness.

_____ God made male and female. There are no other genders. Marriage is to be between a man and a woman.

_____ God did not bless Adam and Eve on the day that He created them.

_____ Adam was 125 years old when Seth was born.

_____ Adam had lots of sons and daughters.

_____ Adam died when he was 950 years old.

_____ The name of Enoch's father was Jared.

_____ Jared means *descent*.

_____ Enoch walked with God for 300 years.

_____ God took Enoch to heaven.

2. Why did Lamech call his son Noah? _____

3. What are the names of Noah's sons? _____

4. List each of their names and what they mean: _____

LESSON 3

Genesis 6-8

CHAPTER 6

1. What did God see? (vs. 5) _____
2. How did He feel in His heart? (vs. 6) _____
3. Fill in the blanks: (vs. 7) “And the Lord said, I will _____
whom I have _____ from the face of the earth; both _____,
and _____, and the _____, and the _____
of the _____; for it repenteth me that I have _____ them.”
4. Who found favor with God? _____ His name means: _____
5. Fill in the blanks: (vs. 9) These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a
_____ man and _____ in his generations, and Noah
_____ with _____.”
6. What was the earth like? (vs. 11) _____ and _____.
7. Can you think of ways in which the world is like this today? _____

8. What did Jesus say about how the world will be before He returns? (Matthew
24:37-39.) _____

9. What did God say to Noah? (vs. 13) _____

10. God told Noah to build a what? (vs. 14-16) _____

11. What people were spared from the flood? (vs. 18-20) _____

12. Did Noah obey God? _____ (Yes or No)

True or False (Mark "T" for true and "F" for false) (Chapters 7 & 8)

_____ The Lord God spared Noah and his family because they went to church.

_____ Noah was 600 years old when the waters covered the earth.

_____ It rained for a month.

_____ God shut Noah into the ark.

_____ The highest mountains were not covered with water.

_____ Everything died that was not in the ark.

_____ The water covered the world for 150 days.

_____ God forgot about Noah and the animals.

_____ The ark finally rested on the mountain range of Ararat.

_____ The waters decreased 10 months until the mountains were seen.

_____ At the end of 60 days Noah opened the window in the ark.

_____ He sent forth a raven and then a dove.

_____ The third time he sent the dove out, she did not return.

_____ God told Noah to go out of the ark with his family, and the animals.

_____ Noah built an altar and offered a burnt offering to the Lord.

_____ The Lord said in His heart, " I will not again curse the ground any more for

man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done."

MEMORIZE: Psalm 1:1 *and be prepared to explain in your own words what this verse means to the group. (You get to teach.)*

LESSON 4

Genesis 9-11

1. Fill in the blanks (Gen. 9:1): "And God _____ Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be _____ and _____, and _____ the earth."
2. What were they never to eat? (Vs. 4 - See Leviticus 3:17). _____
3. Why is murder wrong? (vs. 6) _____

4. What did God promise to never do again? (vs. 8-11) _____

5. What token did God give of this covenant (promise)? _____
6. Who was it a token for (vs. 15-17) _____
7. All the people in the world today are descended from what three people?

8. What did Noah plant? _____
9. What did Noah prophesy? (vs. 25-27) _____

10. Chapter 10 is very important because it is an ancient record of the generations or descendants of _____

CHAPTER 11

True or False:

_____ All the people on earth spoke one language.

_____ The people all traveled to a plain in Shinar and lived there which is in what we know as Iraq today.

_____ The people never built anything.

_____ The LORD did not see the city and the tower they built.

_____ They knew how to make bricks.

_____ The people were afraid of being scattered all over the whole earth.

_____ The LORD said, “Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.”

_____ The people wanted to build a tower that would reach heaven. (Note: The people used the top of these pyramid towers to study and worship the sun, moon and the stars—like astrologers do today.)

_____ God decided to ignore them.

_____ All of the different languages in the world were brought about by God.

_____ The people quit building the city because the LORD scattered them all across the whole world.

_____ The name of that place was Babel.

_____ Shem had a son 4 years after the flood.

_____ Abram’s name was changed to Abraham.

_____ Abraham was a descendant of Shem.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 1:2

LESSON 5

GENESIS 12-13

CHAPTER 12

1. What did God tell Abram to do? (vs. 1) _____

2. What four things did God promise Abram? (vs. 2) _____

3. Complete verse 3: "And I will _____ them that _____ thee, and
_____ them that _____ thee: and in thee shall _____
_____ of the earth be _____."
4. What did Abram do? (vs. 4) _____
Who went with him? (vs. 5) _____
5. How old was Abram when he left Haran? (vs. 4) _____
6. What was the name of the land and the people where they came to? (vs. 6)

7. Who appeared to Abram? (vs. 7) _____
8. What did the LORD promise to him? (vs. 7) _____

9. What did Abram build? (vs. 7) _____
10. What did he live in? (vs. 8) _____
11. Why did Abram travel south to Egypt? (vs. 10) _____
12. Was his wife beautiful? (vs. 11) _____ (Yes/No)

13. Why did Abram tell Sarai to lie? (vs. 12-13) _____

14. How did the Egyptians react? (vs. 14) _____

15. What happened to Sarai? (vs. 15) _____

16. What did the Pharaoh give to Abram? (vs. 16) _____

17. What did the LORD do to Pharaoh? (vs. 17) _____

18. What did Pharaoh do? (vs 18-20) _____

CHAPTER 13 (True or False)

_____ Abram “went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.” (vs. 1)

_____ Abram was very poor. (vs. 2)

_____ He went back to where his tent had been between Bethel and Hai. (vs. 3)

_____ Bethel means house of God. (Look up in a Bible Dictionary.)

_____ Hai (or Ai) means heap of ruins. (Look up in a Bible Dictionary.)

_____ Abram went to the altar and called upon the name of the Lord. (vs. 4)

_____ There was plenty of room for both Lot’s and Abram’s animals. (vs. 5, 6)

_____ The herdsmen who kept the cattle fought each other. (vs. 7)

_____ Abram solved the problem by letting Lot choose where he wanted to live. (vs. 8, 9)

_____ Lot didn't want to go to the plain that was well watered. (vs. 10, 11)

_____ Lot went eastward away from Abram and lived near Sodom. (vs. 11, 12)

_____ The men of Sodom were very wicked and sinners. (vs. 13)

_____ The LORD spoke to Abram after Lot departed. (vs. 14)

_____ God promised to give Abram and his seed (offspring) all the land that Abram could see in all four directions. (vs. 14, 15.)

_____ God said that Abram would not have very many descendants. (vs. 16)

_____ God told him to walk through all the land that He promised to him. (17)

_____ He built an altar to the LORD in Hebron on the the plain of Mamre where he lived. (vs. 18)

_____ Hebron means friendship and Mamre means strength. (See a Bible Dictionary)

List what you learned in these two chapters that you can apply to your own life:

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 1:3

LESSON 6**GENESIS 14-15****CHAPTER 14**

This chapter tells the story of a battle between ancient kings. There were four against five. When the city of Sodom was attacked, they carried off Lot, Abram's nephew, and all his goods. When Abram heard this news, he armed his trained servants and pursued them. He sneaked up on them in the night after dividing his fighting men into two bands, and attacked them, and then pursued them. So, Abram rescued Lot and his family and his stuff.

Then the king of Sodom went out and met him after his return. And Melchizedek, King of Salem (Jerusalem) brought him food and drink. This man was the priest of the most high God, and he blessed Abram, and said: "Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand." And Abram gave him tithes of all he had taken.

Question: What is a tithe? _____

When you give a tithe, who are you really giving it to? _____

Read verses 21-24. Why did Abram refuse to take any of the goods (that he had captured) for himself? _____

CHAPTER 15

1. Who came to Abram in a vision? (vs. 1) _____

2. What did He say? (vs. 1) _____

3. Did Abram tell the LORD all his concerns? (vs. 2-4) _____ YES/NO

4. Where did the LORD take Abram? (vs. 5) _____

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5. Fill in the blanks. (vs. 6) “And he _____ the _____;
and he _____ it to him (Abram) for _____.”
6. Why did God bring Abram out of Ur? (vs. 7) _____
_____.
7. Did Abram ask God for proof? (vs. 8) _____ YES/NO.
8. Did Abram obey God? (vs. 9-11) _____ YES/NO.
9. God spoke to Abram when he was in a very deep sleep. (vs. 13-16) Can God
speak to you when you are asleep? _____ YE/NO.
10. God told Abram that his descendants would be in a strange land for 400
years as slaves. (vs. 13) _____ YES/NO.
11. In verse 14 we read: (Fill in the blanks) “And also that _____,
whom they shall _____, will I _____:
and afterward shall they come out with _____.”
12. Did God promise Abram long life and peace? (vs. 15) _____ YES/NO.
13. Why did God keep Abram’s descendants (the Hebrews or Israelites) away
from the Promised Land for 400 years? (vs. 16) (You can ask your Mom or
Rayola.)

14. When the sun went down, and it was dark, what happened to Abram’s
sacrifice? (Vs.9-17) _____

15. In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram promising him the land of many pagan peoples (vs. 18-21). What does covenant mean? (If you don't know, use a dictionary.)

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 1:4 (Be sure to review all memory verses so you know them well.)

LESSON 7

GENESIS 16 – 17

1. Why did Sarai, Abram’s wife, give him her Egyptian handmaid, Hagar to be his wife? (vs. 1-3) _____
2. Why did Hagar flee from Sarai? (vs. 4-6) _____
3. Where did Hagar flee to? (vs. 7) _____
4. Who found her? (vs. 7) _____
5. Read what the angel of the Lord said to her in verses 8-12. What did he tell Hagar to do? (vs. 8) _____
6. What did He promise her? (vs. 10) _____
(Note: This is where the Arabic tribes originated.)
7. What did He tell her to call her son? (vs. 11) _____
8. What kind of a man was he? (vs. 12) _____

9. What does Ishmael mean? _____
(Use a Bible Dictionary)

CHAPTER 17

1. Complete this verse: (vs. 1) “And when Abram was _____ years old and nine, the _____ appeared to Abram, and said unto him, _____

_____.”
2. What did God promise in verse 2? _____

3. What did Abram do? (vs. 3) _____

4. Who talked with Abram? (vs. 3) _____ What did He promise him?

5. Why did God change Abram's name to Abraham? (vs. 5) _____

6. Read the rest of the chapter

TRUE OR FALSE

_____ God made a covenant with Abraham and promised him many descendants that would make up nations, and some would be kings.

_____ The Lord promised to Abraham's descendants all of the land of Canaan for an everlasting possession.

_____ God didn't expect Abraham or his seed (descendants) to keep His covenant.

_____ The covenant between God and Abraham's seed was called circumcision.

_____ God changed Sarai's name to Sarah, and blessed her.

_____ Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed because he didn't believe that God could give him and Sarah a son because he was 100 years old and Sarah was 90 years old.

_____ God told him to name his yet unborn son Isaac.

_____ God said that ten tribes or princes would come out of Ishmael.

_____ God's covenant was with Isaac.

_____ Abraham obeyed God.

Memorize Psalm 1:5

LESSON 8

GENESIS 18 - 19

TRUE OR FALSE

_____ The Lord appeared again to Abraham as he sat in the door of his tent.

_____ Abraham ignored the three men that also appeared and did not provide for them.

_____ Abraham hurried to Sarah to bake for the heavenly visitors.

_____ Abraham served them veal (young calf), butter and milk.

_____ When Sarah heard the promise that she would have a son in her old age, she laughed.

_____ Verse 14a tells us: "Is any thing too hard for the Lord?"

_____ God knows when we disbelieve in our hearts.

_____ The Lord confided in Abraham what He was about to do to Sodom and Gomorrah.

1. What did God know about Abraham? (vs. 19) _____

2. Why did the Lord decide to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah? (vs. 20; Ezekiel 16:49-50) (List the sins.)

3. What did Abraham draw near to the Lord and plead with Him about? (vs. 23-33)

4. If the Lord could find but ten righteous people in Sodom, would He spare it?
_____ Yes/No

CHAPTER 19

1. What did Lot do when the two angels came to Sodom in the evening? (vs. 1)

2. Did he show them hospitality? (vs. 2-3) _____

3. What did the men of Sodom try to do? (vs. 4-9) _____

4. What did the men in Lot's house do to Lot and to the men outside? (vs. 10-11)

5. What did the men tell Lot to do, and why? (vs. 12-13) _____

6. Did Lot's sons-in-law listen to his warnings? (vs. 14) _____ Yes/No

7. What happened the next morning? (vs. 15-16) _____

8. What did the angel tell Lot to do? (vs. 17-21) _____

9. Lot didn't want to escape to the mountains, so he begged to stay at (v. 22)
_____.
10. What did the Lord rain upon Sodom and Gomorrah, and all the cities of the plain? (vs. 24-25)

11. What happened to Lot's wife? (vs. 26) _____
12. What did Abraham see early in the morning? (vs. 27-28) _____
13. God had mercy upon Lot because of whom? (vs. 29) _____
14. Where did Lot and his two daughters go? (vs. 30) _____
15. Lot's oldest daughter had a son named _____. (vs. 37) He was the father of the Moabites.
16. Lot's youngest daughter had a son named _____. He was the father of the Ammonites.

NOTE: The Moabites and Ammonites became idol worshippers and enemies of Israel.

MEMORIZE: Psalm 1:6

LESSON 9**GENESIS 20-21****TRUE OR FALSE**

_____ Abraham journeyed toward the south country, and lived there with Sarah. (vs. 1)

_____ The name of the king of Gerar was Abimelech, and he took Sarah. (vs. 2)

_____ God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, "Behold, thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife. (vs. 6)

_____ Abimelech explained his position to God. (vs. 4, 5)

_____ God answered him again in a dream. (vs. 6)

_____ God told him to return her to Abraham, a prophet, or else he would die, and all that were his. (vs. 7)

_____ All of Abimelech's servants were sore afraid when they heard God's warning. (vs. 8)

_____ Abimelech rebuked Abraham. (vs. 9, 10)

_____ Abraham explained why he had been dishonest. (vs. 11-13)

_____ Abimelech gave Abraham nothing. (vs. 14)

_____ Abimelech told Abraham to leave the land. (vs. 15)

_____ Abimelech reproved Sarah. (vs. 16)

_____ Abraham refused to pray for Abimelech. (vs. 17-18)

CHAPTER 21

1. Did God fulfill His promise to Sarah and Abraham? (vs. 1-2) _____ YES/NO

2. What name did Abraham give to his son? _____

3. What does his name mean? _____

4. Did Abraham obey God concerning circumcision? (vs. 4) _____ YES/NO

5. How old was Abraham when his son, Isaac, was born? (vs. 5) _____

6. Who was laughing with joy? (vs. 7) _____

7. When did Abraham throw a great feast? _____

9. Why did Sarah ask Abraham to cast out Hagar and Ishmael? _____

10. Did God tell Abraham to obey his wife? (vs. 11-12) _____ YES/NO

11. Why did God promise to make a nation out of Ishmael? (vs. 13) _____

12. What did Abraham do? (vs. 14) _____

13. What did Hagar do? (vs. 15, 16) _____

14. What did God hear and say? (vs. 17, 18) _____

15. What did God do to Hagar and what did she see? (vs. 19) _____

16. Fill in the blanks: (vs. 20-21) "And _____ was with the _____; and he _____, and _____ in the wilderness, and became an _____.

And he _____ in the _____ of Paran: and his _____

Took him a _____ out of the land of _____.

17. Who was with Abraham in all that he did? (vs. 22) _____

18. What did Abimelech want Abraham to promise? (vs. 23) _____

19. Did Abraham promise? _____ YES/NO

20. What did Abraham reprove Abimelech over? (vs. 25) _____

21. Did Abimelech know what his servants had done? (vs. 26) _____ YES/NO

22. Abraham and Abimelech made a covenant. (Read verses 27-32). What does

Beer-sheba mean? _____

Abraham set seven ewe lambs by themselves as a witness to the covenant, and gave them to Abimelech. What does the number seven stand for?

23. Fill in the blanks. (vs. 33) "And _____ planted a _____

in _____, and called there on the _____

of the _____, the _____."

24. What land did Abraham sojourn in many days? (vs. 34) _____

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 23:1

LESSON 10

GENESIS 22

1. Explain how God tested Abraham. (vs. 1-2) _____

2. What did Abraham do? (vs. 3) _____

3. How many days did he travel? (vs. 4) _____
4. How do you think he felt? _____
5. What does the number 3 stand for? _____

6. How would you feel if you were Abraham? _____
Would you have the faith to obey God? (Be honest!) _____ YES/NO
7. What did Isaac ask his father? (vs. 7) _____

8. Complete verse 8: "And _____ said, My son, _____ will
_____ himself a _____ for a burnt _____:
so they went _____ of them _____."
9. What did Abraham do when they came to the place that God had told him of?
(vs. 9) _____

10. What did Abraham then do according to verse 10? _____
11. Who called to Abraham out of Heaven? _____

What did he say? _____

How did Abraham respond? _____

12. What did God's test prove? (vs. 12) _____

13. What sacrifice did God provide for Himself in place of Isaac? (vs. 13) _____

Who does the ram represent? _____

14. Write out three Scriptures from the New Testament that show Jesus as God's sacrifice for our sins.

15. What is sin? _____

16. What did Abraham call that place? (vs. 14) _____

What does that name mean? _____

TRUE OR FALSE

_____ The Angel of the Lord called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time. (vs. 14)

_____ God promised to bless Abraham and his seed and multiply them as the stars in heaven, and as the sand, which is upon the seashore because Abraham did not withhold his only son from God. (vs. 16-17)

_____ All the nations of the earth shall be blessed because Abraham obeyed God's voice. (vs. 18)

_____ Abraham went with his young men after His encounter with God to Beersheba where he lived.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 23:2

LESSON 11

GENESIS 23-24

TRUE OR FALSE

_____ Sarah was 127 years old when she died.

_____ Abraham mourned and wept for her.

_____ Heth was not a Hebrew (see Bible Dictionary) and he was the father of the Hittite nation.

_____ The children of Heth told Abraham that he was a “mighty prince.”

_____ Abraham bought with silver a cave in which to bury Sarah.

CHAPTER 24

1. When Abraham was old, what did he make his servant promise? (vs. 1-3)

2. What did Abraham tell his servant to do? (vs. 4) _____

3. Why did Abraham not want his son Isaac to return to the land that Abraham left? (THINK before you answer.)

4. What did the servant take and where did he go? (vs. 10) _____

5. What did he have his camels do? _____

6. Complete these verses: (12-14) "And he said, O _____

of my master _____, I _____ thee, send

me good _____ this day, and show _____

unto my master Abraham. Behold, I _____ here by the

_____ of _____; and the _____

of the men of the _____ come out to draw _____:

And _____,

That the _____ to whom I shall _____, Let down thy

_____, I pray thee, that I may _____: and

she shall say, _____, and I will _____ thy camels

_____ also: let the same be _____ that thou hast

_____ for thy servant _____; and thereby

shall I _____ that thou hast showed _____

unto my _____."

7. What happened before his prayer was even finished? (vs. 15) _____

8. Abraham’s servant ran to meet her, and said: (vs. 17) “ _____

 _____.”

9. Rebekah quickly gave him water to drink. (vs. 18) _____ YES/NO

10. What did she volunteer to do? (vs. 19) _____

11. What did she do? (vs. 20) _____

Was this hard work? _____ YES/NO What does this tell you about
 Rebekah’s character? (Put a check mark next to the correct answers)

- Lazy Self-serving Cheerful Giving
- Selfish Kind Bad Attitude Nasty
- Hospitable Generous Complaining Pure
- Obedient Friendly Caring Hard-working
- Righteous Bitter Loving Understanding
- Virtuous Evil heart Immature Rude
- Angry Argumentive Pouty Godly
- Willing to do over and above what she was asked to do. (Initiative)

12. Abraham’s servant wisely kept quiet, waiting to see if the LORD had
 answered his prayer or not. _____ YES/NO

13. What gifts did he give Rebekah? (vs. 22) _____

14. How was she related to Abraham's family? (vs. 24 and Genesis 22:20-23)

15. Did she offer hospitality? (vs. 25) _____ YES/NO

16. What did the servant do? (vs. 26?) _____

(Personal) - Do you worship and thank God when He answers your prayers?

17. Fill in the blanks: (vs. 27) "And he said, _____ be the
_____ of my master _____, who hath
_____ left destitute my master of his _____ and his
_____: I being in the way, the _____ led me to the house
of my master's _____."

18. What did Rebekah do then? (vs. 28) _____

19. Tell in your own words what this story tells you about God. _____

TRUE OR FALSE

- _____ Laban was Rebekah's brother. (vs. 29)
- _____ Laban didn't care about riches. (vs. 30)
- _____ Laban invited him in. (vs. 31)
- _____ Laban took care of Abraham's servant's his camels, and washed his feet and also the men that were with him. (vs. 32)
- _____ The servant put his urgent business before allowing himself to eat. (vs. 33)
- _____ The servant faithfully told Laban about Abraham and the purpose for his journey. (vs. 34-48)
- _____ He asked for a direct answer from her father and brother. (vs. 49)
- _____ They said he could take Rebekah. (vs. 51)
- _____ The servant worshipped the LORD again. (vs. 52)
- _____ The servant gave them all beautiful and expensive gifts. (vs. 53)
- _____ Her family wanted her to stay a few days longer, but she went with her nurse and damsels. (vs. 54-59)
- _____ They blessed her. (vs. 60)
- _____ They all rode on camels. (vs. 61)
- _____ Isaac went out to meditate in the field in the evening, and he looked up and saw the camels coming. (vs. 62-63)
- _____ When Rebekah saw Isaac, she refused to get off her camel. (vs. 64)
- _____ She knew who Isaac was because she asked the servant. (vs. 65)
- _____ The servant told Isaac all that he had done. (vs. 66)
- _____ Isaac did not take Rebekah for his wife, and he did not love her.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 23:3

LESSON 12

GENSIS 25

TRUE OR FALSE

_____ After Sarah died, Abraham married Keturah, which means *incense*.

_____ She and Abraham had six sons. (vs. 2)

_____ Abraham gave all that he had to Isaac, and sent his other sons eastward.

_____ Abraham lived to a good old age. (vs. 7, 8)

_____ Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave that Sarah was buried in.

_____ God blessed Isaac.

_____ Ishmael sons were twelve princes who had towns and castles. (vs.12-16)

_____ Ishmael lived to be 137 years old.

_____ Isaac was 30 when he married Rebekah. (vs. 20)

1. Complete this verse: (21) "And Isaac _____ the _____ for his wife, _____ she was _____ : and the _____ was intreated of him, and _____ his wife _____."

2. Rebekah was pregnant with twins. Did she inquire of the Lord? _____ YES/NO

3. When you are troubled, and have a question, do you go to the Lord? _____

4. What did the Lord say to her about these twins? (vs. 23) _____

5. What was the name of the firstborn? _____ What does his name mean? _____
(vs. 24, 25)

6. What did Jacob do when he was being born? (vs. 26) _____

What does the name Jacob mean? _____

7. What did Esau grow up to be? (vs. 27) _____

8. What did Jacob grow up to be? (vs. 27) _____

9. Who did Isaac love the most? (vs. 28) _____ Why? _____

Do you think that Isaac was wise in this? _____ YES/NO Explain your answer, keeping in mind what is truly important:

10. Who did Rebekah love? (vs. 28) _____ Do you think she always remembered what God had shown her before they were born? _____

11. In verse 29, we see that Jacob made a pot of lentil soup. (Called "pottage".) Esau came in from hunting, and he was exhausted and hungry. In verse 30 We learn that Esau's descendants were called Edom. What does Edom mean?
_____ (This is important to keep in mind for future studies.)

12. When Esau wanted to eat Jacob's pottage, what did Jacob say? (vs. 31)

13. What was Esau's reasoning? (vs. 32) _____

The birthright in ancient times meant that the firstborn son received the most honor and respect in the family. He would receive the greater inheritance and blessings from his father. Jacob respected the birthright, whereas Esau did not. The significant point here is that the birthright involved God's promises to Abraham, through Isaac. This meant not only an earthly nation (Israel) but also the promised Messiah (Jesus.) The birthright carried with it greater responsibilities as well.

14. Did Esau sell his birthright to Jacob for a bowl of lentil soup? (vs. 33)

_____ YES/NO

15. What all did Jacob give to Esau? (vs. 34) _____

16. How did Esau feel about his birthright? (vs. 35) _____

17. What do the following verses say about Esau?

Romans 9:13 _____

Hebrews 12:16 _____

Edomites (Esau's descendants) are also known as Idumeans which is what the Herods (kings of Israel) were in later years. Remember King Herod in the Gospels? Some have also stated that Judas Iscariot was an Idumean, or descendant from Esau as well. It makes for a very interesting study because you see how the tendency to rebel against God can run through generations of people.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 23:4

LESSON 13
GENESIS 26

1. What is a famine? (vs. 1) _____
2. Why did Isaac go to the king of the Philistines in Gerar? _____

3. Find Gerar in the land of the Philistines (look in the back of your Bible at the maps). Where is Egypt from Gerar? (North, South, East, or West).

4. Who appeared to Isaac? (vs. 2) _____
5. What five things did God say Abraham did? (vs. 5) _____

6. Did Isaac obey the Lord? (vs. 6) _____ YES/NO
7. What did Isaac do that was the same thing his father did? (vs. 7) _____

8. Did he get caught by the king? _____ YES/NO
9. Complete these verses (12-14). "Then _____ sowed in that _____,
and received in the same year an _____: and the Lord
_____ him. And the man waxed (became) _____,
and went _____ and grew until he became _____
_____: For he had possession of _____, and
possession of _____, and _____ store of _____:
and the Philistines _____ him."

10. What wicked thing did the Philistines do? (vs. 15) _____

11. What did King Abimelech say to Isaac? (vs. 16) _____

_____.

12. Where did Isaac go? (vs. 17) _____

13. What did he have his servants do? (vs. 18, 19) _____

14. Why did Isaac call the well Esek? (vs. 20) _____

What does Esek mean? _____

15. Why did he call the next well Sitnah? (vs. 21) _____

What does Sitnah mean? _____

16. Did they strive (fight) over the third well? (vs. 22) _____ YES/NO

What does

Rehoboth mean? _____

Why do you suppose digging wells was so important? (Think about the importance of water.)

17. He went up to _____ (vs. 23) What does this name mean?

18. Fill in the blanks (vs. 24) "And the _____ appeared unto him the

same night, and said, _____ of Abraham thy

_____ : _____ not, for _____,

and will _____ thy seed for my _____

Abraham's _____."

19. What all did he do there? (vs. 25) _____

20. Why did Abimelech, his friend and the chief captain of his army go to see Isaac? (vs. 26-29)

21. What did Isaac do? (vs. 30-31) _____

22. What happened that very same day? (vs. 32) _____

23. What did Isaac call it? (vs. 33) _____

What does Sheban or Beersheba mean? _____

24. In verse 34 we see that Esau was _____ years old when he did what? _____

25. How did his father, Isaac, and his mother, Rebekah, feel about what he did?

Why? (Think about this.) _____

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 23:5

LESSON 14

GENESIS 27

1. Summarize in your own words what Isaac did when he was old and blind?
(vs. 1-5)

2. Who overheard Isaac? (vs. 5) _____

3. What did she tell Jacob to do, and why? (vs. 6-10) (Tell in your own words.)

4. What was Jacob worried about? (vs. 11, 12) _____

5. Did Jacob obey his mother? _____ YES/NO

6. What did Rebekah cook? (vs. 14) _____

7. What else did Rebekah do? (vs. 15) _____

8. How did Rebekah disguise Jacob? (vs. 16) What did she give him to take to his father, Isaac? (vs. 17) _____

9. What lies did Jacob say to his father? (vs. 19, 20) _____

10. What did Isaac tell Jacob to do? (vs. 21) _____

TRUE AND FALSE

- _____ Isaac knew that it was Jacob's voice, but decided that he felt like Esau.
- _____ When asked if he was Esau, Jacob lied and said that he was.
- _____ Isaac ate the meat Jacob brought, thinking it was venison.
- _____ Isaac asked Jacob to come near and kiss him so he could smell him.
- _____ Isaac gave the blessing to Jacob, thinking that he was Esau.
- _____ Esau came in from hunting right after Jacob had left, and prepared the venison for Isaac so he could receive the blessing.
- _____ When Isaac heard Esau, he shook.
- _____ Esau cried a great deal, and was bitter.
- _____ Isaac explained what happened to Esau.
- _____ Esau's blessing is given in verses 39-40.
- _____ Esau loved Jacob because of the blessing that his father had given Jacob.
- _____ Rebekah warned Jacob that Esau was talking about murdering him.
- _____ She told him to sit tight and stay home.
- _____ Jacob fled to his Uncle Laban's house in Haran.

_____ Rebekah told Isaac that she was weary of her life because of the pagan women and was afraid that Jacob might marry one of them.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 23:6 *Be prepared to recite the entire Psalm Sunday*

LESSON 15

GENESIS 28

1. Read verses 1-2. Why is it important to marry someone who is a believer in Jesus, and whom God chooses for you? (Read 1 Corinthians 6:14-18.)

2. Is it important to have Christian friends? _____ YES/NO ... Why?

What can the wrong friends do to your relationship with God?

3. Did Jacob obey? (vs. 5) _____ YES/NO

4. Why did Esau take his cousin for a wife? (vs. 6-9) _____

Do you think he was in competition with his brother, Jacob, for his parents' approval? _____ YES/NO

5. Can you think of times when you compete with your brother or sister? _____

Read Mark 9:33-37 and 10:35-37, 44, 45. What did Jesus teach about being "great"?

How can you be a servant in your home? _____

TRUE OR FALSE

_____ Jacob left Beersheba and traveled toward Haran. That night he used rocks for a pillow.

_____ He dreamed about a ladder that reached to heaven and he saw angels of God going up and down it.

_____ The Lord stood above the ladder, and spoke to Jacob.

_____ He didn't promise Jacob anything.

_____ The Lord told Jacob that He would be with Him and bring him again into that land.

MATCH THE CORRECT ANSWER: (vs. 16-22)

Dreadful _____

Bethel _____

Stone _____

Vow _____

Jacob said: _____

A. Jacob anointed this.

B. Jacob made this after meeting God.

C. "The Lord is in this place, and I knew it not."

D. The name of this place was first called Luz.

E. After his encounter with God, Jacob considers the place to be what?

BIBLE MEMORY WORK: Review Psalm 1 and be prepared to recite it in class.

LESSON 16
GENESIS 29
A LOVE STORY

TRUE OR FALSE (verses 1-20)

- _____ Jacob went on his journey and came to the people of the west.
- _____ He saw a well and two flocks of sheep lying by it.
- _____ The men had to roll a stone from the well's mouth to water all the sheep.
- _____ Jacob asked the people where they were from.
- _____ When he heard that they were from Haran, he asked if they knew Laban, the son of Nahor.
- _____ They said he was well, and that his daughter, Rachel, was coming with her father's sheep.
- _____ Jacob did not help roll the stone off of the well, nor did he help by watering the sheep that belonged to his Uncle Laban.
- _____ Jacob kissed Rachel and wept.
- _____ Jacob never told Rachel who he was.
- _____ Laban ran to meet Jacob, kissed and hugged him, and brought him to his house.
- _____ Jacob lived in Laban's house a whole month.
- _____ Laban called Jacob his "brother" because of family ties.
- _____ Laban asked Jacob to name his wages for working for him.
- _____ Laban had two daughters, Rachel, the youngest, and Leah, the elder.
- _____ Rachel was very beautiful, and much prettier than Leah.
- _____ Jacob loved Rachel, and promised he would work seven years for her.
- _____ Laban told Jacob to go away.

_____ Jacob loved Rachel so much that serving Laban for seven years seemed like just a few days.

MATCH THE CORRECT ANSWERS

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|
| Zilpah | _____ | <u>A</u> Leah |
| This person deceived Jacob. | _____ | <u>B</u> Sons of Leah |
| Jacob's first wife. | _____ | <u>C</u> Rachel |
| Jacob served Laban this long. | _____ | <u>D</u> Leah's handmaid |
| Bilhah | _____ | <u>E</u> Fourteen years |
| Jacob loved this person most. | _____ | <u>F</u> Laban |
| Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah | _____ | <u>G</u> Hate |
| The Lord saw this. | _____ | <u>H</u> Rachel's handmaid |

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 1:7

What does this verse means to you? Write your answer below.

LESSON 17**GENESIS 30-36**

In Genesis 30 we learn about Jacob's family problems, the births of eleven of his sons and one daughter. We also read how Jacob wanted to take his family and servants, flocks and herds, and return to his own place, but Laban knew that God blessed him for Jacob's sake, so wanted to keep him there. We also see how Jacob worked to become rich.

In Chapter 31 we read how Jacob sneaked away from Laban, how Laban pursued and overtook him, and the covenant that they made at that time.

CHAPTER 32

1. Who met Jacob as he went on his way? (vs. 1) _____
2. What did Jacob say when he saw them? (vs. 2) _____
 _____ (Mahanaim means two camps)
3. What did Jacob do? (Read vs. 3-5) _____
4. What did the messengers tell Jacob when they returned? (vs. 6) _____

5. How did Jacob feel when he heard this report? (Read vs. 7-8) _____

6. Can you think of a time when you were greatly afraid and upset about seeing someone who has been angry with you? _____ YES/NO
7. Fill in the blanks (vs. 9) "And Jacob said, O _____ of my father Abraham, and _____ of my father Isaac, the _____ which said unto me, _____ unto thy _____, and to thy _____, and I will deal _____ with thee."
8. Was Jacob repentant and humble? (vs. 10) _____ YES/NO

9. What did Jacob ask God to do? (vs. 11) _____

10. Have you ever prayed to God to deliver you from something? _____ YES/NO

11. What else did Jacob remind God in his prayer? (vs. 12) _____

TRUE OR FALSE (Read verses 13-23)

_____ Jacob sent great gifts to Esau.

_____ Jacob's plan was to appease (pacify) his brother.

_____ Jacob hoped Esau would accept him.

_____ Jacob took his two wives, two women servants, and eleven sons, and passed over a brook called Jabbok. (Jabbok means flowing.)

_____ When it was night, Jacob sent them over the brook.

MATCH THE CORRECT ANSWERS (vs. 24-32)

Where Jacob said, "I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved." _____

A. Prince

Jacob wrestled for this and refused to let go. _____

B. Jacob's thigh

Jacob's name was changed by God to this. _____

C. Wrestled with God

What Jacob did all night until daybreak. _____

D. Blessing

This was put out of joint. _____

E. Peniel

God's description of Jacob. _____

F. Israel

CHAPTER 33 – TRUE OR FALSE

_____ When Jacob saw Esau coming with 400 men, he divided his camp for safety in case Esau wanted revenge.

_____ Jacob bowed down to the ground seven times when he saw Esau.

_____ Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.

_____ Jacob didn't introduce his family to Esau.

_____ Esau was very gracious.

_____ They both went their separate ways that day.

_____ Jacob bought land to live on and built an altar that means Mighty One, God of Israel.

MEMORY WORK: The Ten Commandments of God

Memorize Exodus 20:3

Explain what this verse means to you: _____

What does idolatry mean? _____

Can you think of anything, or anybody, that could be an idol to you? _____

Explain your answer: _____

Read Colossians 3:2 Where God's people commanded to place their affections?

Where is your heart? Does it belong to this world, or does it belong to Jesus?

_____ Can you please God if you do not love Him? _____

NEXT LESSON: We will learn about Jacob and Rachel's son, Joseph, and what his jealous brothers did to him.

LESSON 18**REVIEW & GENESIS 37**

MEMORY REVIEW – TRUE OR FALSE

- _____ Genesis means beginning and is the first book in the Holy Bible.
- _____ God created everything, and it was good.
- _____ Adam was made in the image of God.
- _____ Adam and Eve lived in the beautiful Garden of Eden.
- _____ Eden means pleasure or paradise.
- _____ Adam rebelled against God and chose to eat of the forbidden fruit, but Eve was deceived by Satan.
- _____ Because of Adam's sin, death passed upon all men.
- _____ God drove Adam and Eve out of Eden.
- _____ Their first child was Cain.
- _____ Cain was jealous of his brother, Abel, because God accepted Abel's sacrifice, so Cain murdered him.
- _____ Sin results in death, or separation from God.
- _____ Genesis 3:15 is the first promise from God of a Redeemer (who is Jesus Christ.)
- _____ People became very wicked upon the earth and their imaginations were continually evil, so God was sorry He made them.
- _____ Of all the people on earth at that time, Noah found favor with God because he was righteous.
- _____ People lived for hundreds of years before the Flood, and for awhile after it.
- _____ God commanded Noah to build an ark for himself, his family and for two of each kind of creature to preserve them.
- _____ We are all descended from Noah.

_____ After the flood, people multiplied, and they decided to build the tower of Babel. Then God divided them by causing them to all speak different languages, and He scattered them all over the world.

_____ Abraham was called by God to leave his family and country.

_____ Abraham was obedient to God and had great faith.

_____ The Lord destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah because the people were wicked.

_____ Angels took Abraham's nephew, Lot, and his wife and two daughters by hand and led them out of Sodom because the Lord had mercy on them for Abraham's sake.

_____ Abraham and Sarah had a son, Isaac, in their old age.

_____ God always kept His promises to Abraham and Sarah.

_____ Isaac married Rebekah and they had twins, Esau and Jacob.

_____ God chose Jacob to receive the blessing.

_____ Jacob had twelve sons who became the twelve tribes of Israel. (This is important to learn, (even though you may not understand it all) because it gives you a foundation of history, the lineage of Jesus, prophecies that have been fulfilled, are being fulfilled right now concerning the nation of Israel, and that will be fulfilled.)

_____ God changed Jacob's name to Israel after Jacob wrestled with Him all night.

_____ In the Bible names and numbers have certain special meanings.

CHAPTER 37 – THE STORY OF JOSEPH

1. When Joseph was 17 years old, who did he tell on to his father? (vs. 2) _____

2. Who did Israel (Jacob) love the most out of all his children? (vs. 3) _____

3. What special thing did Israel make for Joseph? (vs. 3) _____

4. How did Joseph's brothers feel about him? (vs. 4) _____

5. Do you know of anyone who is jealous of you? _____ YES/NO

If so, how do they treat you? _____

6. What happened to make Joseph's brothers hate him even more? (vs. 5) _____

7. Read vs. 6-11. How many dreams did Joseph have? _____ What did

they mean? _____

8. Have you ever had a dream that came true? _____ YES/NO

9. Did you know that God will sometimes talk to you in a dream? _____ YES/NO

10. Why did Israel send Joseph to his brothers as they took care of the flocks of

sheep? (vs. 13-17) _____

11. What did his brothers decide to do to him? (vs. 18) _____

12. What did they call Joseph? (vs. 19) _____

13. What lie did they cook up? (vs. 20) _____

14. Which brother spared his life? (vs. 21-22) _____

MATCH THE CORRECT ANSWER – (Verses 23-36)

Joseph was stripped of this. _____ A – 20 pieces of silver

Joseph was put into this by his _____ B – Reuben
brothers.

This brother decided to sell Joseph. _____ C – Blood

These people were traders in spices _____ D – Jacob
and merchandise, including slaves.

Joseph was sold for this amount. _____ E – Waterless pit

Joseph's coat was dipped in this. _____ F – Potiphar

This brother was not present when Joseph was taken out of the pit and sold.

_____ G - Judah

This man was deceived, and refused to be comforted by his sons and daughters.

_____ H – Coat of many colors

Joseph was sold in Egypt to this man.

_____ I – Ishmaelites

MEMORY VERSE: Deuteronomy 5:11 (The second Commandment)

LESSON 19

GENESIS CHAPTERS 39

1. What was the name of the Egyptian man who bought Joseph in Egypt and what position did he hold? _____

2. Can you imagine what it would be like to be sold as a slave? _____
3. Complete verse 2: "And the _____ was with _____, and he was a _____ man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian."
4. What did Joseph's master see? (vs. 3) _____

5. What was the result? (vs. 4-6) _____
6. If you were taken away to another country to be a slave, do you know for sure that you would be able to trust God? _____
7. Was Potiphar's wife wicked? (vs. 7-11) _____ YES/NO
8. How did Joseph respond to the temptation to sin? (vs. 12b) _____
9. What does the Bible tell us to do when tempted to sin? (Read 2 Tim. 2:22) _____
_____. (This means not to hesitate, stroll, or walk, but to *run for your life*.)
What kind of people are believers to keep company with? _____

TRUE OR FALSE (vs. 13-23)

_____ Potiphar's wife made up a big lie.

_____ Potiphar believed her lie and became very angry with Joseph.

_____ Potiphar put Joseph in the prison.

_____ God abandoned Joseph in prison and forgot about him.

_____ The keeper of the prison hated Joseph.

_____ Joseph became a keeper of the other prisoners.

_____ The Lord was with Joseph and caused him to prosper in prison.

CHAPTER 40 – SUMMARY (If you want to know what their dreams were, read this chapter.)

In this chapter we read how the Pharaoh's butler and his baker offended him, so he had them thrown into the prison where Joseph was. They were there for awhile, and then on the same night, both of them had a dream that they couldn't understand, so they became very sad. When Joseph saw that they were sad, he asked them what was wrong, and they replied that they each had a dream that they couldn't interpret. So, Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God?" And Joseph asked them what their dreams were about. After they told him, he explained what their dreams meant, and told them to remember him to the Pharaoh when they were released from the dungeon. Verse 20 says, *and it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.* And, true to Joseph's interpretation of their dreams, Pharaoh restored the chief butler to his position again, but he hanged the chief baker. But guess what? That chief butler forgot all about Joseph so he remained in prison.

So, you see that even though God was with Joseph, and used him in the prison, yet he was overlooked and forgotten by self-serving people. When you do what is right, but you are not recognized or acknowledged, do you become angry with God? We need to remember Jesus, and how He went about destroying the works of the devil, setting people free from demons, and healing them, yet He was forsaken by all and crucified. He asked God to forgive those who nailed Him to the cross. We have no right to feel sorry for ourselves, and to hold grudges, when others treat us unfairly for doing what is right. One day we will answer to God for our own attitudes and actions. Pleasing the Lord is all that matters.

CHAPTER 41

1. After the chief butler forgot about Joseph, how many more years was Joseph in prison? (vs. 1) _____ (Joseph was about 17 when he was sold into slavery, and he didn't get out of prison until he was 30 years old.)
2. How many dreams did Pharaoh have in one night? (vs. 2-7) _____
3. How did he feel in the morning? (vs. 8) _____

4. Who did Pharaoh call in to interpret his dreams? (vs. 8) _____
and _____.
5. Where do such people without the true God get their power? _____
6. Could they interpret his dreams? _____ YES/NO
7. Who finally remembered Joseph? (vs. 9-13) _____
8. Who hastily sent for Joseph? (vs. 14) _____
9. Read verses 15-16. What did Joseph humbly inform the Pharaoh? _____

10. In verses 17-24 Pharaoh told Joseph his dreams. Then in verses 25-31 Joseph interpreted them. What was God warning Pharaoh about? _____

TRUE OR FALSE (vs. 32-57)

- _____ When God tells us something twice, it means it is established of God and it will come to pass.
- _____ Joseph advised the Pharaoh what to do.
- _____ The Pharaoh made Joseph second in command only to himself in greatness and power over all Egypt.
- _____ Pharaoh said that there was no other man in Egypt as discreet and wise as Joseph, and that he had the Spirit of God.
- _____ The Pharaoh gave Joseph his ring, fine linen vestures (clothes), and a gold chain necklace.
- _____ Pharaoh called Joseph Zaphnathpaaneah (whew!) which means "Revealer of Secrets."
- _____ Joseph was 30 years old when he stood before Pharaoh.
- _____ Joseph was very wise and gathered up and stored enough grain to feed all

the people for 7 years.

_____ Joseph had two sons before the famine came.

MATCH THE CORRECT ANSWERS – (vs. 47-57)

(Note: “Corn” in scripture is really grain, such as wheat, because corn as we know it was not known then except in the Americas which had not been yet discovered by the Europeans.)

Joseph had this many years
in which to gather and store
food. _____

A – All countries

The name of Joseph’s wife. _____

B – Two

This was without number. _____

C - Fruitful

His name means “Forgetting” _____

D - Joseph

His name means “Doubly Fruitful” _____

E - Grain

God caused Joseph to be this. _____

F - Bread

This was in all lands. _____

G - Manasseh

This was found in Egypt. _____

H - Asenath

Pharaoh sent the hungry
people to this man. _____

I - Ephraim

Who came to Egypt to
buy grain. _____

J - Famine

The number of Joseph’s sons _____

K – Seven

CHAPTER 42

1. Who heard that there was grain in Egypt, and sent ten of his sons to go there and buy food? (vs. 1) _____
2. Who stayed home? (vs. 4) _____
3. Do you think that maybe Jacob (Israel) didn’t trust his sons after Joseph’s strange disappearance years before? (See verse 4b) _____

4. Who bowed down before Joseph? (vs. 6) _____
5. Did they recognize their brother? (vs. 7-8) _____ YES/NO
6. Who remembered his dreams? (vs. 9) _____
7. What did Joseph accuse them of? (vs. 9-14) _____
8. Who did Joseph demand they bring to him? (vs. 15-20) _____
9. What did his brothers feel guilty over? (vs. 21-22) _____
10. Did his brothers know that he understood their language? (vs. 23) _____
11. What did Joseph do in private? (vs. 24a) _____
12. When Joseph returned to them from weeping, who did he tie up? _____
13. In the rest of this chapter we read how Joseph handled his brothers (who still didn't know who he was), how fearful they became, and how Joseph worked it so they would have to bring Benjamin, the youngest brother, to Egypt. What did their father accuse them of when they returned home and each had his money in his sack with which they had purchased the grain? (verse 36).

Read what Reuben volunteered, and Jacob's response. Right now, their plight looks pretty grim doesn't it? Then in Chapter 43 we read that the famine grew worse, and Jacob was forced to let his sons take Benjamin with them down to Egypt to buy grain, (it was that or starve to death) and we see how Judah, the one whose idea it was to sell Joseph, humbled himself before his father and said he would take the blame forever if something happened to Benjamin.

So, they traveled back to Egypt, and saw Joseph again, yet knew not that he was their brother. He brought Simeon out to them whom he had bound and held back, and he treated them kindly by having his servants feed their pack animals, wash their feet, and prepare a noon meal for them. But, they were very much afraid of him. The brothers had brought him a present of almonds, honey, spices, nuts and myrrh and they bowed down to him again, in fulfillment of his dream.

Joseph asked them about Jacob, if he were yet alive, and they bowed down before him again. Then, when Joseph looked up and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, he said, "God be gracious unto thee, my son." Then his emotions were so great, that he sought out a private place to weep. Then he

washed his face, and went out, controlled himself, and they all ate, but Joseph ate separately with the Egyptians for in Egypt it was an abomination (hateful thing) to eat with Hebrews. (Talk about prejudice!)

Joseph had them sit before him according to their age, and they marveled at this, that he knew their birth order. And, Joseph gave Benjamin five times more than the rest of them. Yet, they still did not know that he was Joseph, whom they had hated and sold into slavery.

In Chapter 44 we read how, when the brothers bought the grain, and were preparing to leave for Canaan, that Joseph had his own silver cup sneaked into Benjamin's sack of grain. Then, after they had gone out of the city, and not yet far off, Joseph had them pursued, and he came and accused them of stealing his silver cup and returning good for evil. Of course, they knew nothing about it, and denied it. When the silver cup was finally found in Benjamin's sack, they tore their clothes (a sign of great distress and grief) and returned to the city.

Then Judah and the other brothers came to Joseph's house, and bowed and fell down before him. Judah took the leadership and told Joseph that they were his servants. But, Joseph said to return in peace to their father, except Benjamin, that he was to remain in Egypt and be Joseph's servant because the silver cup was found in his sack.

Verses 18-34 records Judah's plea to Joseph, telling him about Jacob, their father, and how "his life is bound up in the lad's life" and if Jacob sees that the lad is not with them, that he will die of sorrow. Then Judah begged to be kept as a slave to Joseph in Benjamin's place.

From this we see how God brought Judah from being a self-serving, proud man to a broken, humble, self-sacrificing person. There are many other lessons in this story.

Be prepared to finish Genesis next week—Chapters 45-50. We will learn how Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, and how all of his family, including Jacob came down to Egypt to live. God turned everything that his brothers had meant for evil into good, but it took a lot of years!

LESSON 20

GENESIS CHAPTERS 45-50

CHAPTER 45

1. Describe in your own words the emotional scene in verses 1 & 2: _____

2. After Joseph revealed who he was to his brothers, what question did he ask them? _____

How did they respond? _____

3. What did Joseph say in verse 4? _____

4. Was Joseph forgiving and kind? (vs. 5) _____ YES/NO

5. Why did God allow for Joseph to be sold as a slave to the Egyptians? (vs. 5b, and verses 7 & 8): _____

6. What can we learn from Joseph's experience? _____

7. How many more years was the famine going to last? (vs. 6) _____

___ I will give you the leftovers.

Joseph gave more to this brother for the journey back to Canaan (so they could gather everything to move to Egypt) than the others:

___ Naphtali

___ Asher

___ Dan

___ Benjamin

When the brothers returned to Jacob, they told him this:

___ The famine is over.

___ We need to move.

___ Joseph is alive, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt.

When Jacob heard this, he:

___ Believed them. ___ Passed out.

___ Felt faint, and believed them not.

Jacob's spirit revived when:

___ He heard Joseph's words and saw all the wagons Joseph had sent.

___ When he had a big dinner.

___ After he rested awhile.

Israel (Jacob) said:

___ My son Joseph is not alive.

___ You boys are all nuts.

___ It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

CHAPTER 46

1. Israel took all that he had and when he came to Beersheba he offered sacrifices to God. Then God spoke to him in the visions of the night, calling him, and Jacob said: "_____".

2. What did God tell him? (vs. 3) _____

3. Who was going down to Egypt with Jacob (Israel)? (vs. 4) _____

TRUE OR FALSE (vs. 5-34)

____ All of Israel (Jacob's family) went down to Egypt with their cattle and their goods.

____ This chapter gives us the names of Jacob's sons and his sons' sons.

____ Jacob had Judah go before them to lead the way to the land of Goshen in Egypt.

____ Joseph made his chariot ready, and went up to meet Israel his father, whom he had not seen since he was sold into slavery many years before.

____ When Joseph presented himself to his father, he fell on his neck, and wept for a long time.

____ Jacob was not happy to see his son Joseph alive.

____ Joseph went to Pharaoh and told him that his family from Canaan had come.

____ The Egyptians loved shepherds (of flocks of sheep.)

CHAPTER 47

MATCH THE CORRECT ANSWER

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| Joseph presented this many of his brethren to the Pharaoh. | _____ | A Goshen, land of Rameses |
| This man blessed the Pharaoh. | _____ | B Famine |
| Jacob was this old when he came to Egypt. | _____ | C Animals and land |
| The best of the land was called this. | _____ | D Five |
| This man nourished Jacob and his family. | _____ | E 130 |

This caused fainting in all the land. _____ F Jacob

This was sold by the hungry people for food. _____ G Joseph

CHAPTER 48

In the last chapter we learned how Joseph's wisdom saved the people of the land from starvation, his own family from starvation, and how he gained all the land of Egypt for the Pharaoh, plus set up a law that gave Pharaoh a fifth of all crops. We also read how Jacob made Joseph promise that he would carry his bones back to Canaan when he died so that he could be buried there with his fathers (Abraham and Isaac) and not be buried in Egypt.

In Chapter 48 we read how Jacob, on his deathbed, recounted how God Almighty has appeared to him and blessed him, and promised him and his descendants the land. Then he had Joseph bring his two sons to him to bless them. (See how important blessings are?) Israel said to Joseph, "I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed." Interestingly, Israel (Jacob) gave the greater blessing to Ephraim, the youngest, instead of to Manasseh, the firstborn. So, just as Jacob received the blessing instead of his brother, Esau, now we see him, guided by the Spirit of God, blessing the younger brother.

Israel said to Joseph, "Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers." And, in the end, he favored Joseph above his brothers.

CHAPTER 49

In this chapter we read the prophecies that Jacob made to all of his sons. Prophecies are extremely interesting and important because they not only prove the truth of Scripture, but they give us insight into God's plan for His people. Whole books have been written based on this one chapter alone, showing through historical events how these prophecies came to pass, while others are yet to be fulfilled. It takes some study to understand the meaning behind these prophecies. In other words, they don't make a whole lot of sense unless you study them in light of other Scriptures and history. The more you study the Bible, the more fascinating and exciting it becomes. In verses 8-12 is a prophecy about Christ Jesus, who came out of Judah.

Jacob's death is recorded at the end of this chapter.

CHAPTER 50

1. Did Joseph weep when his father gave up the ghost? _____ YES/NO

2. What did Joseph have to do to carry out the wishes of Jacob? _____

3. Who all went with Joseph to bury his father? _____

4. How many days did Joseph mourn for his father beyond the Jordan River in the land of Canaan? _____
5. Did Joseph carry out his father's wishes? _____ YES/NO
6. Is it important to fulfill your promises to others? _____ YES/NO

TRUE OR FALSE (Verses 15-26)

- ____ After Jacob's death and their return to Egypt, Joseph's brothers were afraid that he would make them pay for all the evil they had done to him.
- ____ Joseph's brothers made up a lie and sent it by messenger to Joseph.
- ____ Joseph laughed when he heard it.
- ____ Joseph's brothers fell down before him again.
- ____ Joseph was humble and kind, and told them to fear not.
- ____ Joseph told his brothers that the evil they had thought against him, God meant it for good, to save many people from dying in the famine.
- ____ Joseph told them that they better always fear him.
- ____ Joseph was a kind man.
- ____ Joseph lived to be 110 years old.
- ____ Joseph lived to see his sons' children.
- ____ When Joseph was dying, he told his brethren that God would surely visit them and bring them out of Egypt to the land that He had promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
- ____ Joseph made the children of Israel promised to carry his bones up to be buried when God visited them.