



## GENESIS Chapters 35–38: Joseph Sold Into Egypt

### Chapter 35– Three Deaths

- 1 **Go up to Bethel** – This is where God wanted him
- 2 **Get rid of the foreign gods** – See Gen. 31:19
- 3-5 **Jacob buried them** – He didn't sell them, he got rid of them.
- 6-8 **Deborah, Rebekah's nurse, died** – Three deaths in this chapter. Rachel and Isaac also die.
- 9-13 **I am God Almighty** - *el sádday* - From a root word which means "breast." The supplier of all my needs, the sustainer of life.
- 14-17 **Ben-Oni** – Son of my sorrow.  
**Benjamin** – Son of my right hand
- 19-20 **to this day** – the time of Moses who recorded this
- 21-22 **Reuben went in and slept with his father's concubine** - Reuben forfeits the birthright because of this – See Genesis 49:3-4; 1Chron. 5:1-2
- 23-29 **Gathered to his people** – this is what happens to a believer who dies.

### Chapter 36 – Account of Esau

- 1-10 **This is the account of Esau** - The genealogy of Esau
- 11 **The sons of Eliphaz: Teman** – See Job 4:1
- 33 **Jobab** – Possibly Job

### Chapter 37 – Joseph Sold Into Egypt

- 1-2 **Joseph, ... was tending the flocks** – Type of the Good Shepherd, Jesus

- 3-4 **a richly ornamented robe** –The famous robe of many colors. Literally probably a seem-less robe or a long sleeve robe.
- 5-11 **Joseph had a dream** – See Revelation 12:1-2.
- 12-17 **Let's go to Dothan** – Dothan = "law." Shechem = "burden."
- 18-22 **Don't shed any blood** – Reuben is responsible(as eldest).
- 23-24 **they stripped him of his robe** –See Mark 15:24
- 25-27 **they sat down to eat their meal** – See Gen. 42:21
- 28-36 **one of Pharaoh's officials** – Eunuch – castrated

### Chapter 38 – Judah & Tamar

- 1 **Judah left his brothers** – Not clear as to why?
- 2-7 **Er – naked Tamar** – palm tree
- 8 **Lie with your brother's wife** – Common practice – See Deuteronomy 25:5-10, Luke 20:24-30
- 9-10 **What he did was wicked in the LORD'S sight** –He did not fulfill his obligation as the next of kin
- 11 **Live as a widow** – Judah was afraid to give his last son to Tamar.
- 12-14 **at the entrance to Enaim** – Temple prostitute
- 15-18 **Your seal and its cord** – The signet ring. Possible origin of wedding ring.
- 19-24 **Bring her out and have her burned to death** -Technically, she was engaged to Shelah, this was adultery.
- 27-30 **Perez** – breach **Zerah** – scarlet

From **Judah & Tamar** came **Perez** which led to **Jesus Christ** – See Ruth 4:18-22, Matthew 1:3-16