

Parasha Vayigash - And He Approached.

Sunday - Day 1 before Shabbat - Parasha Vayigash - And He Approached.

Genesis 44:18-to-end, John 18.

Genesis 44:18-to-end.

18 . Judah Intercedes for Benjamin. .

Then Judah came near to him, and said, “Oh, my master, please let your servant speak a word in my master’s ears, and don’t let your anger burn against your servant; for you are even as Pharaoh.

19 My master asked his servants, saying, ‘Have you a father, or a brother?’

20 We said to my master, ‘We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother; and his father loves him.’

21 You said to your servants, ‘Bring him down to me, that I may set my eyes on him.’

22 We said to my master, ‘The boy can’t leave his father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die.’

23 You said to your servants, ‘Unless your youngest brother comes down with you, you will see my face no more.’

24 It happened when we came up to your servant my father, we told him the words of my master.

25 Our father said, ‘Go again, buy us a little food.’

26 We said, ‘We can’t go down. If our youngest brother is with us, then we will go down: for we may not see the man’s face, unless our youngest brother is with us.’

27 Your servant, my father, said to us, ‘You know that my wife bore me two sons:

28 and the one went out from me, and I said, “Surely he is torn in pieces;” and I haven’t seen him since.

29 If you take this one also from me, and harm happens to him, you will bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to Sheol.’

30 Now therefore when I come to your servant my father, and the boy is not with us; since his life is bound up in the boy’s life;

31 it will happen, when he sees that the boy is no more, that he will die. Your servants will bring down the gray hairs of your servant, our father, with sorrow to Sheol.

32 For your servant became collateral for the boy to my father, saying, ‘If I don’t bring him to you, then I will bear the blame to my father forever.’

33 Now therefore, please let your servant stay instead of the boy, a bondservant to my master; and let the boy go up with his brothers.

34 For how will I go up to my father, if the boy isn’t with me? lest I see the evil that will come on my father.”

John 18.

1 . Betrayal and Arrest in Gethsemane. .

When YESHUA had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples over the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, into which he and his disciples entered.

2 Now Judah, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for YESHUA often met there with his disciples.

3 Judah then, having taken a detachment of soldiers and officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, came there with lanterns, torches, and weapons.

4 YESHUA therefore, knowing all the things that were happening to him, went forth, and said to them, “Who are you looking for?”

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5 They answered him, "YESHUA of Nazareth." YESHUA said to them, "I am he." Judah also, who betrayed him, was standing with them.
6 When therefore he said to them, "I am he," they went backward, and fell to the ground.
7 Again therefore he asked them, "Who are you looking for?" They said, "YESHUA of Nazareth."
8 YESHUA answered, "I told you that I am he. If therefore you seek me, let these go their way,"
9 that the word might be fulfilled which he spoke, "Of those whom you have given me, I have lost none."
10 Simon Peter therefore, having a sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.
11 YESHUA therefore said to Peter, "Put the sword into its sheath. The cup which the Father has given me, shall I not surely drink it?"

12 . Before the High Priest. .

So the detachment, the commanding officer, and the officers of the Judeans, seized YESHUA and bound him,
13 and led him to Annas first, for he was father-in-law to Caiaphas, who was high priest that year.
14 Now it was Caiaphas who advised the Judeans that it was expedient that one man should perish for the people.

15 . Peter Denies YESHUA. .

Simon Peter followed YESHUA, as did another disciple. Now that disciple was known to the high priest, and entered in with YESHUA into the court of the high priest;
16 but Peter was standing at the door outside. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to her who kept the door, and brought in Peter.
17 Then the maid who kept the door said to Peter, "Are you also one of this man's disciples?" He said, "I am not."
18 Now the servants and the officers were standing there, having made a fire of coals, for it was cold. They were warming themselves. Peter was with them, standing and warming himself.

19 . YESHUA Questioned by the High Priest. .

The high priest therefore asked YESHUA about his disciples, and about his teaching.
20 YESHUA answered him, "I spoke openly to the world. I always taught in synagogues, and in the temple, where the Jews always meet. I said nothing in secret.
21 Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them. Behold, these know the things which I said."
22 When he had said this, one of the officers standing by slapped YESHUA with his hand, saying, "Do you answer the high priest like that?"
23 YESHUA answered him, "If I have spoken evil, testify of the evil; but if well, why do you beat me?"
24 Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas, the high priest.

25 . Peter Denies Twice More. .

Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They said therefore to him, "You aren't also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it, and said, "I am not."

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26 One of the servants of the high priest, being a relative of him whose ear Peter had cut off, said, "Didn't I see you in the garden with him?"

27 Peter therefore denied it again, and immediately the rooster crowed.

28 . In Pilate's Court. .

They led YESHUA therefore from Caiaphas into the Praetorium. It was early, and they themselves didn't enter into the Praetorium, that they might not be defiled, but might eat the Passover.

29 Pilate therefore went out to them, and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?"

30 They answered him, "If this man weren't an evildoer, we wouldn't have delivered him up to you."

31 Pilate therefore said to them, "Take him yourselves, and judge him according to your law." Therefore the Judeans said to him, "It is not legal for us to put anyone to death,"

32 that the word of YESHUA might be fulfilled, which he spoke, signifying by what kind of death he should die.

33 Pilate therefore entered again into the Praetorium, called YESHUA, and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

34 YESHUA answered him, "Do you say this by yourself, or did others tell you about me?"

35 Pilate answered, "I'm not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests delivered you to me. What have you done?"

36 YESHUA answered, "My Kingdom is not of this world. If my Kingdom were of this world, then my servants would fight, that I wouldn't be delivered to the Judeans. But now my Kingdom is not from here."

37 Pilate therefore said to him, "Are you a king then?" YESHUA answered, "You say that I am a king. For this reason I have been born, and for this reason I have come into the world, that I should testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

38 Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" When he had said this, he went out again to the Judeans, and said to them, "I find no basis for a charge against him."

39 . Taking the Place of Barabbas. .

But you have a custom, that I should release someone to you at the Passover. Therefore do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?"

40 Then they all shouted again, saying, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

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Genesis 45. John 19.

Vayigash (continued):

Genesis 45.

1 . Joseph Revealed to His Brothers. .

Then Joseph couldn't control himself before all those who stood before him, and he cried, "Cause everyone to go out from me!" No one else stood with him, while Joseph made himself known to his brothers.

2 He wept aloud. The Egyptians heard, and the house of Pharaoh heard.

3 Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Does my father still live?" His brothers couldn't answer him; for they were terrified at his presence.

4 Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." They came near. "He said, I am Joseph, your brother, whom you sold into Egypt.

5 Now don't be grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that you sold me here, for ELOHIM sent me before you to preserve life.

6 For these two years the famine has been in the land, and there are yet five years, in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest.

7 ELOHIM sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to save you alive by a great deliverance.

8 So now it wasn't you who sent me here, but ELOHIM, and he has made me a father to Pharaoh, master of all his house, and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

9 Hurry, and go up to my father, and tell him, "This is what your son Joseph says, "ELOHIM has made me master of all Egypt. Come down to me. Don't wait.

10 You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you will be near to me, you, your children, your children's children, your flocks, your herds, and all that you have.

11 There I will nourish you; for there are yet five years of famine; lest you come to poverty, you, and your household, and all that you have."

12 Behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaks to you.

13 You shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. You shall hurry and bring my father down here."

14 He fell on his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck.

15 He kissed all his brothers, and wept on them. After that his brothers talked with him.

16 The report of it was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, "Joseph's brothers have come." It pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

17 Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Tell your brothers, 'Do this. Load your animals, and go, travel to the land of Canaan.

18 Take your father and your households, and come to me, and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and you will eat the fat of the land.'

19 Now you are commanded: do this. Take wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20 Also, don't concern yourselves about your belongings, for the good of all of the land of Egypt is yours."

21 The sons of Israel did so. Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

22 He gave each one of them changes of clothing, but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver and five changes of clothing.

23 He sent the following to his father: ten donkeys loaded with the good things of Egypt,

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and ten female donkeys loaded with grain and bread and provision for his father by the way.

24 So he sent his brothers away, and they departed. He said to them, "See that you don't quarrel on the way."

25 They went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan, to Jacob their father.

26 They told him, saying, "Joseph is still alive, and he is ruler over all the land of Egypt." His heart fainted, for he didn't believe them.

27 They told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said to them. When he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob, their father, revived.

28 Israel said, "It is enough. Joseph my son is still alive. I will go and see him before I die."

John 19.

1 . The Soldiers Mock YESHUA. .

So Pilate then took YESHUA, and flogged him.

2 The soldiers twisted thorns into a crown, and put it on his head, and dressed him in a purple garment.

3 They kept saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and they kept slapping him.

4 Then Pilate went out again, and said to them, "Behold, I bring him out to you, that you may know that I find no basis for a charge against him."

5 . Pilate's Decision. .

YESHUA therefore came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple garment. Pilate said to them, "Behold, the man!"

6 When therefore the chief priests and the officers saw him, they shouted, saying, "Crucify! Crucify!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves, and crucify him, for I find no basis for a charge against him."

7 The Judeans answered him, "We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of ELOHIM!"

8 When therefore Pilate heard this saying, he was more afraid.

9 He entered into the Praetorium again, and said to YESHUA, "Where are you from?" But YESHUA gave him no answer.

10 Pilate therefore said to him, "Aren't you speaking to me? Don't you know that I have power to release you, and have power to crucify you?"

11 YESHUA answered, "You would have no power at all against me, unless it were given to you from above. Therefore he who delivered me to you has greater sin."

12 At this, Pilate was seeking to release him, but the Judeans cried out, saying, "If you release this man, you aren't Caesar's friend! Everyone who makes himself a king speaks against Caesar!"

13 When Pilate therefore heard these words, he brought YESHUA out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called "The Pavement," but in Hebrew, "Gabbatha."

14 Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, at about the sixth hour. He said to the Judeans, "Behold, your King!"

15 They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar!"

16 So then he delivered him to them to be crucified. So they took YESHUA and led him away.

17 . The King on a Tree. .

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He went out, bearing his cross, to the place called “The Place of a Skull,” which is called in Hebrew, “Golgotha,”

18 where they crucified him, and with him two others, on either side one, and YESHUA in the middle.

19 Pilate wrote a title also, and put it on the cross. There was written, “YESHUA OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS!”

20 Therefore many of the Judeans read this title, for the place where YESHUA was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek.

21 The chief priests of the Judeans therefore said to Pilate, “Don’t write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but, ‘he said, I am King of the Jews.’”

22 Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.”

23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified YESHUA, took his garments and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also the coat. Now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout.

24 Then they said to one another, “Let’s not tear it, but cast lots for it to decide whose it will be,” that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which says, “They parted my garments among them. For my cloak they cast lots.” Therefore the soldiers did these things.

25 . Behold Your Mother. .

But there were standing by the cross of YESHUA his mother, and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Klopah, and Mary Magdalene.

26 Therefore when YESHUA saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing there, he said to his mother, “Woman, behold your son!”

27 Then he said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!” From that hour, the disciple took her to his own home.

28 . It Is Finished. .

After this, YESHUA, seeing that all things were now finished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, “I am thirsty.”

29 Now a vessel full of vinegar was set there; so they put a sponge full of the vinegar on hyssop, and held it at his mouth.

30 When YESHUA therefore had received the vinegar, he said, “It is finished.” He bowed his head, and gave up his spirit.

31 . YESHUA'S Side Is Pierced. .

Therefore the Judeans, because it was the Preparation Day, so that the bodies wouldn’t remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a special one), asked of Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

32 Therefore the soldiers came, and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who was crucified with him;

33 but when they came to YESHUA, and saw that he was already dead, they didn’t break his legs.

34 However one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

35 He who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, that you may believe.

36 For these things happened, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, “A bone of him will not be broken.”

37 Again another Scripture says, “They will look on him whom they pierced.”

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38 . YESHUA Buried in Joseph's Tomb. .

After these things, Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of YESHUA, but secretly for fear of the Judeans, asked of Pilate that he might take away YESHUA's body. Pilate gave him permission. He came therefore and took away his body.

39 Nicodemus, who at first came to YESHUA by night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred Roman pounds.

40 So they took YESHUA's body, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as the custom of the Judeans is to bury.

41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden. In the garden was a new tomb in which no man had ever yet been laid.

42 Then because of the Judeans' Preparation Day (for the tomb was near at hand) they laid YESHUA there.

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Ezekiel 37:15-28.

Vayigash (continued): Haftarah:

Ezekiel 37:15-28.

15 **. One Kingdom, One King. .**

The word of YHWH came again to me, saying,

16 You, son of man, take one stick, and write on it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write on it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions:

17 and join them for you one to another into one stick, that they may become one in your hand.

18 When the children of your people shall speak to you, saying, Will you not show us what you mean by these?

19 tell them, Thus says ADONAI YHWH: Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his companions; and I will put them with it, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in my hand.

20 The sticks whereon you write shall be in your hand before their eyes.

21 Say to them, Thus says ADONAI YHWH: Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, where they are gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

22 and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all; and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all;

23 neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions; but I will save them out of all their dwelling places, in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their ELOHIM!

24 My servant David shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my ordinances, and observe my statutes, and do them.

25 They shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob my servant, in which your fathers lived; and they shall dwell therein, they, and their children, and their children's children, forever: and David my servant shall be their prince for ever.

26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them; and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in their midst forevermore.

27 My tent also shall be with them; and I will be their ELOHIM, and they shall be my people.

28 The nations shall know that I am YHWH who sanctifies Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in their midst forevermore.

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Wednesday - Day 4 before Shabbat - Parasha Vayigash - And He Approached.

Genesis 46.

Vayigash (continued):

Genesis 46.

1 . Jacob's Journey to Egypt. .

Israel traveled with all that he had, and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the ELOHIM of his father, Isaac.

2 ELOHIM spoke to Israel in the visions of the night, and said, "Jacob, Jacob!" He said, "Here I am."

3 He said, "I am El, the ELOHIM of your father. Don't be afraid to go down into Egypt, for there I will make of you a great nation.

4 I will go down with you into Egypt. I will also surely bring you up again. Joseph will close your eyes."

5 Jacob rose up from Beersheba, and the sons of Israel carried Jacob, their father, their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

6 They took their livestock, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt Jacob, and all his seed with him,

7 his sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and he brought all his seed with him into Egypt.

8 These are the names of the children of Israel, who came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

9 The sons of Reuben: Hanoch, Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

10 The sons of Simeon: Jemuel, Jamin, Ohad, Jachin, Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanite woman.

11 The sons of Levi: Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

12 The sons of Judah: Er, Onan, Shelah, Perez, and Zerah; but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. The sons of Perez were Hezron and Hamul.

13 The sons of Issachar: Tola, Puvah, Iob, and Shimron.

14 The sons of Zebulun: Sered, Elon, and Jahleel.

15 These are the sons of Leah, whom she bore to Jacob in Paddan Aram, with his daughter Dinah. All the souls of his sons and his daughters were thirty-three.

16 The sons of Gad: Ziphion, Haggi, Shuni, Ezbon, Eri, Arodi, and Areli.

17 The sons of Asher: Imnah, Ishvah, Ishvi, Beriah, and Serah their sister. The sons of Beriah: Heber and Malchiel.

18 These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah, his daughter, and these she bore to Jacob, even sixteen souls.

19 The sons of Rachel, Jacob's wife: Joseph and Benjamin.

20 To Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, whom Asenath, the daughter of Potiphera, priest of On, bore to him.

21 The sons of Benjamin: Bela, Becher, Ashbel, Gera, Naaman, Ehi, Rosh, Muppim, Huppim, and Ard.

22 These are the sons of Rachel, who were born to Jacob: all the souls were fourteen.

23 The son of Dan: Hushim.

24 The sons of Naphtali: Jahzeel, Guni, Jezer, and Shillem.

25 These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave to Rachel, his daughter, and these she bore to Jacob: all the souls were seven.

26 All the souls who came with Jacob into Egypt, who were his direct descendants,

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besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were sixty-six.

27 The sons of Joseph, who were born to him in Egypt, were two souls. All the souls of the house of Jacob, who came into Egypt, were seventy.

28 **. Jacob Settles in Goshen. .**

He sent Judah before him to Joseph, to show the way before him to Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen.

29 Joseph prepared his chariot, and went up to meet Israel, his father, in Goshen. He presented himself to him, and fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

30 Israel said to Joseph, "Now let me die, since I have seen your face, that you are still alive."

31 Joseph said to his brothers, and to his father's house, "I will go up, and speak with Pharaoh, and will tell him, 'My brothers, and my father's house, who were in the land of Canaan, have come to me.

32 These men are shepherds, for they have been keepers of livestock, and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.'

33 It will happen, when Pharaoh summons you, and will say, 'What is your occupation?'

34 that you shall say, 'Your servants have been keepers of livestock from our youth even until now, both we, and our fathers:' that you may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians."

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John 20.

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1 . The Empty Tomb. .

Now on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene went early, while it was still dark, to the tomb, and saw the stone taken away from the tomb.

2 Therefore she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom YESHUA loved, and said to them, "They have taken away ADONAI out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have laid him!"

3 Therefore Peter and the other disciple went out, and they went toward the tomb.

4 They both ran together. The other disciple outran Peter, and came to the tomb first.

5 Stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths lying, yet he didn't enter in.

6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and entered into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying,

7 and the cloth that had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but rolled up in a place by itself.

8 So then the other disciple who came first to the tomb also entered in, and he saw and believed.

9 For as yet they didn't know the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

10 So the disciples went away again to their own homes.

11 . Mary Magdalene Sees the Risen YESHUA. .

But Mary was standing outside at the tomb weeping. So, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb,

12 and she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of YESHUA had lain.

13 They told her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my ADONAI, and I don't know where they have laid him."

14 When she had said this, she turned around and saw YESHUA standing, and didn't know that it was YESHUA!

15 YESHUA said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?" She, supposing him to be the gardener, said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

16 YESHUA said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him, "Rabboni!" which is to say, "Great Teacher!"

17 YESHUA said to her, "Don't hold me, for I haven't yet ascended to my Father; but go to my brothers, and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my ELOHIM and your ELOHIM!'"

18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen ADONAI, and that he had said these things to her.

19 . The Apostles Commissioned. .

When therefore it was evening, on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were locked where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Judeans, YESHUA came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be to you."

20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore were glad when they saw ADONAI.

21 YESHUA therefore said to them again, "Peace be to you. As the Father has sent me,

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even so I send you.”

22 When he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit!

23 If you forgive anyone’s sins, they have been forgiven them. If you retain anyone’s sins, they have been retained.”

24 **. Seeing and Believing. .**

But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, wasn’t with them when YESHUA came.

25 The other disciples therefore said to him, “We have seen ADONAI!” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

26 After eight days again his disciples were inside, and Thomas was with them. YESHUA came, the doors being locked, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace be to you.”

27 Then he said to Thomas, “Reach here your finger, and see my hands. Reach here your hand, and put it into my side. Don’t be unbelieving, but believing.”

28 Thomas answered him, “My ADONAI and my ELOHIM!”

29 YESHUA said to him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen, and have believed.”

30 **. That You May Believe. .**

Therefore YESHUA did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book;

31 but these are written, that you may believe that YESHUA is the Messiah, the Son of ELOHIM, and that believing you may have life in his name.

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1 Then Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, and said, “My father and my brothers, with their flocks, their herds, and all that they own, have come out of the land of Canaan; and behold, they are in the land of Goshen.”

2 From among his brothers he took five men, and presented them to Pharaoh.

3 Pharaoh said to his brothers, “What is your occupation?” They said to Pharaoh, “Your servants are shepherds, both we, and our fathers.”

4 They said to Pharaoh, “We have come to live as foreigners in the land, for there is no pasture for your servants’ flocks. For the famine is severe in the land of Canaan. Now therefore, please let your servants dwell in the land of Goshen.”

5 Pharaoh spoke to Joseph, saying, “Your father and your brothers have come to you.

6 The land of Egypt is before you. Make your father and your brothers dwell in the best of the land. Let them dwell in the land of Goshen. If you know any able men among them, then put them in charge of my livestock.”

7 Joseph brought in Jacob, his father, and set him before Pharaoh, and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

8 Pharaoh said to Jacob, “How many are the days of the years of your life?”

9 Jacob said to Pharaoh, “The days of the years of my pilgrimage are one hundred thirty years. Few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained to the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.”

10 Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from the presence of Pharaoh.

11 Joseph placed his father and his brothers, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

12 Joseph nourished his father, his brothers, and all of his father’s household, with bread, according to their families.

13 **. Joseph Deals with the Famine. .**

There was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very severe, so that the land of Egypt and the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.

14 Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the grain which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh’s house.

15 When the money was all spent in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came to Joseph, and said, “Give us bread, for why should we die in your presence? For our money fails.”

16 Joseph said, “Give me your livestock; and I will give you food for your livestock, if your money is gone.”

17 They brought their livestock to Joseph, and Joseph gave them bread in exchange for the horses, and for the flocks, and for the herds, and for the donkeys: and he fed them with bread in exchange for all their livestock for that year.

18 When that year was ended, they came to him the second year, and said to him, “We will not hide from my master how our money is all spent, and the herds of livestock are my master’s. There is nothing left in the sight of my master, but our bodies, and our lands.

19 Why should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? Buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants to Pharaoh. Give us seed, that we may live, and not die, and that the land won’t be desolate.”

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20 So Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh, for every man of the Egyptians sold his field, because the famine was severe on them, and the land became Pharaoh's.

21 As for the people, he moved them to the cities from one end of the border of Egypt even to the other end of it.

22 Only he didn't buy the land of the priests, for the priests had a portion from Pharaoh, and ate their portion which Pharaoh gave them. That is why they didn't sell their land.

23 Then Joseph said to the people, "Behold, I have bought you and your land today for Pharaoh. Behold, here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land.

24 It will happen at the harvests, that you shall give a fifth to Pharaoh, and four parts will be your own, for seed of the field, for your food, for them of your households, and for food for your little ones."

25 They said, "You have saved our lives! Let us find favor in the sight of my master, and we will be Pharaoh's servants."

26 Joseph made it a statute concerning the land of Egypt to this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth. Only the land of the priests alone didn't become Pharaoh's.

27 . Joseph's Vow to Jacob. .

Israel lived in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen; and they got themselves possessions therein, and were fruitful, and multiplied exceedingly.

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1 . Breakfast by the Sea. .

After these things, YESHUA revealed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself this way.

2 Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together.

3 Simon Peter said to them, "I'm going fishing." They told him, "We are also coming with you." They immediately went out, and entered into the boat. That night, they caught nothing.

4 But when day had already come, YESHUA stood on the beach, yet the disciples didn't know that it was YESHUA!

5 YESHUA therefore said to them, "Children, have you anything to eat?" They answered him, "No."

6 He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." They cast it therefore, and now they weren't able to draw it in for the multitude of fish.

7 That disciple therefore whom YESHUA loved said to Peter, "It's ADONAI!" So when Simon Peter heard that it was ADONAI, he wrapped his coat around him (for he was naked), and threw himself into the sea.

8 But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from the land, but about two hundred cubits away), dragging the net full of fish.

9 So when they got out on the land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread.

10 YESHUA said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have just caught."

11 Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land, full of great fish, one hundred fifty-three; and even though there were so many, the net wasn't torn.

12 YESHUA said to them, "Come and eat breakfast." None of the disciples dared inquire of him, "Who are you?" knowing that it was ADONAI.

13 Then YESHUA came and took the bread, gave it to them, and the fish likewise.

14 This is now the third time that YESHUA was revealed to his disciples, after he had risen from the dead.

15 . YESHUA Restores Peter. .

So when they had eaten their breakfast, YESHUA said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, ADONAI; you know that I have affection for you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs."

16 He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, ADONAI; you know that I have affection for you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep."

17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you have affection for me?" Peter was grieved because he asked him the third time, "Do you have affection for me?" He said to him, "ADONAI, you know everything. You know that I have affection for you." YESHUA said to him, "Feed my sheep."

18 Most certainly I tell you, when you were young, you dressed yourself, and walked where you wanted to. But when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you, and carry you where you don't want to go."

19 Now he said this, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify ELOHIM! When he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."

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20 . The Beloved Disciple and His Book. .

Then Peter, turning around, saw a disciple following. This was the disciple whom YESHUA sincerely loved, the one who had also leaned on YESHUA's breast at the supper and asked, "ADONAI, who is going to betray You?"

21 Peter seeing him, said to YESHUA, "ADONAI, what about this man?"

22 YESHUA said to him, "If I desire that he stay until I come, what is that to you? You follow me."

23 This saying therefore went out among the brothers, that this disciple wouldn't die. Yet YESHUA didn't say to him that he wouldn't die, but, "If I desire that he stay until I come, what is that to you?"

24 This is the disciple who testifies about these things, and wrote these things. We know that his witness is true.

25 There are also many other things which YESHUA did, which if they would all be written, I suppose that even the world itself wouldn't have room for the books that would be written.

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