### VaYeshev

#### Genesis 37:1 - 40:23

Genesis 37-50 contains the story of Jacob's son Joseph. It is a huge symmetrical passage that includes 4 parashot: VaYeshev, MiKetz, VaYigash, and VaY'chi. The center of this concentric structure is where Joseph's brothers come to Egypt for food on two different occasions (Genesis 42:1-38; 43:1-44:3).

This entire structure also contains 7 back to back parallels.

In addition, there are two sets of chiasms (Genesis 37-42 and 43-50). The center of the first one is Genesis 39:1-23 which describes Joseph's integrity and success in Egypt. The center of the second one is Genesis 47:13-26 which tells of Joseph's exaltation over all Egypt.

In this lesson we will cover the first of these two chiasms even though it extends beyond the boundaries of our parashah. Remember, because we are looking at a chiasm, the second column will appear in reverse/descending chronologic order.

Joseph				
Joseph	Joseph	Yeshua	Beast	
Genesis 37:1-39:1-23	Genesis 40:1 – 42:38			
Joseph's dreams (prophecy and fulfillment)				
Genesis 37	Genesis 42	It is likely that before his	Prophecies of Daniel	
Joseph (17 years old)	Jacob sent 10 sons to	death Daniel told the	and Revelation to be	
brought a bad report of	Egypt to buy grain so	wise men of Medo-	fulfilled in the future.	
his brothers to his	they could live and not	Persia of <b>the prophecy</b>		
father.	die. Benjamin did not	of a coming king and	Daniel 7:25-26	
Jacob loved Joseph	go for fear of something	the timing of his	He (11 <sup>th</sup> king of the 4 <sup>th</sup>	
more than his other	happening to him.	expected arrival (Daniel	kingdom) will speak	
brothers. He gave him a		9:25-27).	words against the Most	
robe reaching hands	Joseph was already		<b>High</b> and try to exhaust	
and feet (בְּתֹנֶת פַּסִים).	governor in Egypt and	Matthew 13:13-15	the holy ones of the	
His brothers hated him	was selling food to all	Explains that Yeshua	Most High. He will	
and could not speak	the people in the land.	spoke in parables so the	attempt to alter the	
peaceably to him.		people would see, hear,	seasons and the law;	
Joseph had 2 prophetic	Joseph's brothers came	and understand (who	and [the holy ones] will	
dreams.	and bowed down to	He was), repent, and be	be handed over to him	
The first prophetic	him with their faces to	healed by Him. God's	for a time, times and	
dream was of his	the earth thereby	people did not	half a time.	
brothers sheaves	fulfilling the prophecy	recognize Yeshua as the	CJB	
bowing down to his	of Joseph's dreams.	prince to come.		
sheaf; this showed			Daniel 11:36-37	
Joseph was destined to	Joseph recognized	Matthew 21:45-46	"Then the king shall do	
reign over his brothers.	them but they did not	Now when the chief	according to his own	
His brothers hated him	recognize him.	priests and Pharisees	will: he shall exalt and	

more because of this dream.

The second prophetic dream was of the sun, moon, and 11 stars bowing down to him; his mother, father, and brothers would bow down to him. His father rebuked him for it but kept the matter in mind; his brothers envied him.

These prophetic dreams consisted of symbols or pictures that represented a hidden message. The same is true of prophetic visions like we see in the books of Daniel and Revelation. Normally, the keys to unlocking the meaning of prophetic visions are found in Scripture itself. Even so, it is easy to misinterpret the meaning of visions. Studying patterns is another helpful tool in this process; however, it is still not a precise science either. More than anything they are shadows of what is to come. Ultimately, God must reveal the proper interpretation.

Joseph spoke roughly to them and asked where they were from. Joseph accused them of being spies. He tested them by requiring them to bring Benjamin to him. They were all put in prison for 3 days. After 3 days, Simeon remained in prison but the others were released to eventually bring Benjamin back.

This is a picture of Yeshua's burial, resurrection, and eventual return.

On the way home, one of them realized his money was put in his sack and they were afraid.

Upon arriving home, they told Jacob what happened.

They soon realized all their money was in their sacks and they were afraid.

This is a picture of Judas returning the blood-money he received for betraying Yeshua.

Reuben promised to bring Simeon and Benjamin back to Jacob and offered his 2 sons as replacements if he didn't. Jacob said no. heard His parables, they perceived that He was speaking of them. 46 But when they sought to lay hands on Him, they feared the multitudes, because they took Him for a prophet.

Once Satan entered Judas Iscariot, the chief priests and captains would eventually receive Judas' help to arrest, try, and convict Yeshua. They would pay him money for the betrayal that would be returned to them. (See also Luke 22:3-6; Matthew 26:14-16, 27:3-5; Jeremiah 32:6-9; Zechariah 11:7-17)

Pilate offered to have BarAbbas crucified in place of Yeshua but the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes to ask for BarAbbas to be released instead of Yeshua. The people essentially said no by demanding the crucifixion of Yeshua (Matthew 27:16-26).

magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done.

Revelation 13:5-8 And he was given a mouth speaking great things and **blasphemies**, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. 6 Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to **blaspheme** His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. 7 It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation. 8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the **Book of Life** of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Revelation 12:1

Now a great sign
appeared in heaven: a
woman clothed with
the sun, with the moon
under her feet, and on
her head a garland of
twelve stars.

Let me emphasize that Joseph's brothers were not worshiping Joseph. They were simply showing him the honor due his power and position. In a way, it is a picture of how people will bow down before the King of kings; this will also involve worship.

Some of these elements are similar to what was seen in Joseph's second dream. This appears to be a picture of Israel.

### Joseph's (cruel vs. kind) treatment was related to prophetic dreams

Genesis 37
Jacob sent Joseph to
Shechem to check on
his brothers and to
bring word back of their
welfare.

Joseph did not find his brothers in Shechem and asked a man where they were feeding their flocks. The man said he overheard them saying, "let us go to Dothan." So Joseph went and found them there.

When they saw him ("this dreamer") still at a distance, they conspired to kill him and cast him into an pit.

Reuben suggested not to kill him but to only put him in a pit (בֹּוֹב) so he could rescue him later.

When Joseph met his brothers, they stripped him of his robe and cast him into an empty pit (つうる). Being thrown in Genesis 41
Pharaoh had **2 dreams.**The first dream was of 7 healthy (fine looking and fat) cows coming up out of the river, followed by 7 ugly and gaunt cows which stood beside the healthy cows. The 7 ugly cows ate the 7 fat cows.
The second dream was of 7 heads of grain on

The second dream was of 7 heads of grain on one stalk, plump and good. This was followed by 7 thin heads which sprang up after the first. These 7 thin heads devoured the 7 plump and full heads.

Pharaoh's magicians and wise men could not interpret the dreams.

The chief butler finally remembered Joseph and told Pharaoh how Joseph had correctly interpreted his dream and that of the baker 3 days before Pharaoh's birthday.

Joseph's fate had been

The themes we just reviewed in the previous section are seen again here to confirm what we have already said.

Matthew 17:22-23
Now while they were staying in Galilee,
Yeshua said to them,
"The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men,
23 and they will kill
Him, and the third day
He will be raised up."
And they were exceedingly sorrowful.

Luke 19:47-48
And He was teaching daily in the temple. But the chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people sought to destroy Him, 48 and were unable to do anything; for all the people were very attentive to hear Him.

John 5:16-17 For this reason the Jews persecuted Yeshua, and sought to kill Him, Revelation 20:1-3 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain (not for adornment) in his hand. 2 He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; 3 and he cast him into the **bottomless pit**, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

This is "almost the end" of the story. Before this can take place, John saw a few visions in Revelation 13 of a:

 Beast coming out of the sea. It had 7 heads; 10 horns with crowns on each horn; and a blasphemous a pit is a picture of death.

They ate a meal. They pulled him out of the pit (חֹב) (A picture of resurrection) and sold him for 20 shekels of silver to Ishmaelites coming from Gilead whose camels bore spices, balm, and myrrh on their way to Egypt.

Recall that when the wise men came to see Yeshua, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. He was buried with myrrh and aloes (Matthew 2:10-12; John 19:39).

## Reuben returned to find the pit empty and tore his clothes.

The disciples went to find Yeshua in the tomb and didn't find Him there.

They killed a goat and dipped the tunic in the blood. They showed it to their father and asked him to examine it to see if it was Joseph's. Jacob believed Joseph was killed by a wild animal.

Jacob tore his clothes, put sackcloth on his waist, and **mourned** many days. He could not be comforted.

entwined with two men who offended Pharaoh.

Pharaoh sent for Joseph and they quickly brought him out of the dungeon/pit (기道). (A picture of resurrection) The writer is using the same Hebrew word for pit so we will connect it with the word pit. We will see another word used for prison as well.

Joseph shaved, changed his clothes, and came into see Pharaoh.

Joseph heard Pharaoh's two dreams and said they were one. He said God has shown Pharaoh what he was about to do (7 years of plenty followed by 7 years of famine). It was repeated twice because it was established by God, and God would shortly bring it to pass. Joseph suggested a wise and discerning man be chosen and set over Egypt, and for officers to be chosen to collect and store 1/5 of the produce in the plentiful years so it could be eaten in the years of famine.

Pharaoh liked the idea and appointed Joseph for the job. He gave Joseph his signet ring, fine garments of fine because He had done these things (healed) on the Sabbath.

John 7:1-2
After these things
Yeshua walked in
Galilee; for He did not
want to walk in Judea,
because the Jews
(ruling authorities)
sought to kill Him.

John 7:30 Therefore they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.

Yeshua ate His last supper with His disciples. (See Matthew 26:20-30)

Yeshua **dipped** a piece of bread and gave it to Judas to indicate Judas would be His betrayer (John 13:21-27).

Matthew 26:14-15
Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests 15 and said, "What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?"
And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. (See also Luke 22:3-6)

The tearing of clothing or dividing was also a theme present during Yeshua's last week.

• High Priest torn his

name on his heads. It was also described like a leopard, with feet like a bear, and mouth like a lion. The dragon gave him his power, throne, and authority.

 Beast coming out of the earth with two horns like a lamb yet speaking like a dragon and exercising all the authority of the first beast. He will use signs to deceive those dwelling on the earth and cause the people to create an image to the first beast and worship it. Those who refuse to worship the beast will be killed. Everyone must have the mark of the beast to buy and sell. His number is 666.

Revelation 12:9
So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

The dragon in
Revelation 13 is
identified for us as
Satan/Devil in
Revelation 12:9 and
20:2.

Just as Satan entered Judas Iscariot, it seems The Midianites **sold**Joseph to Potiphar
(פּוֹטִיפַר), an officer of Pharaoh and captain of the guard.

Potiphar means "my affliction was broken."

linen, and a gold chain around his neck. He had him ride in the second chariot and had everyone bow to Joseph. Pharaoh set him over all the land of Egypt. He named him Zaphnath-paaneah gave him a wife named Asenath, daughter of Poti-phera ( בּוֹטִי בּוֹשִׁבּישׁ).

Zaphnath-paaneah means "treasury of the glorious rest."

Asenath has 2 meanings:

- 1. "I shall be hated."
- 2. "She has stored up."

Poti-Phera means
"afflictions of the locks
(of hair)."

clothes - Matthew 26:65

- The veil of the temple was torn in two -Matthew 27:51
- Yeshua's garments were divided and lots were cast for them -Luke 23:34

Matthew 27:3-7
Then Judas...brought
back the thirty pieces
of silver to the chief
priests and elders...
5 Then he threw down
the pieces of silver in
the temple and
departed, and went and
hanged himself.

... 7 And they consulted together and bought with them the potter's field, to <u>bury</u> strangers in.

John 19:12 From then on Pilate sought to release Him...

John 19:38-40 After this, Joseph of Arimathea..., asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Yeshua; and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took the body of Yeshua. 39 And Nicodemus, who at first came to Yeshua by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds. 40 Then they took the body of Yeshua, and bound it in strips of

Satan will enter, work through, and give authority to something that resembles the symbols of a leopard, bear, and lion; as well as something that has the characteristics of a lamb in an effort to make war with those who keep God's commandments and the testimony of Yeshua Messiah.

There will also be a time of famine.

Revelation 18:8
Therefore her (Babylon the Great's) plagues will come in one day — death and mourning and famine. And she will be utterly burned with fire, for strong is the Lord God who judges her.

**linen with the spices**, as the custom of the Jews is to bury.

Mark 16:9-11
Now when He rose
early on the first day of
the week, He appeared
first to Mary
Magdalene...11 And
when they heard that
He was alive and had
been seen by her, they
did not believe.
(See also Zechariah
11:10-14)

*In the future...* 

Revelation 19:11-16 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True...13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God... 15 ... And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Revelation 21:2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as

a **bride** adorned for her husband.

Revelation 21:9-11 ... "Come, I will show you the **bride**, the Lamb's wife." 10 ...and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God...

They languished...Tamar in her father's house and Joseph in prison.

Shortly after the story of Joseph begins, we have a shift to a story about Judah. The precise placement of this story in the Joseph narrative allows for the symmetry of the entire Joseph narrative from Genesis 37-50.

Genesis 38
Judah departed from
his brothers and visited
Hirah, a certain
Adullamite.
Judah married a
Canaanite named Shua.
They had 3 sons: Er,
Onan, and Shelah.

Judah took a wife for Er whose name was Tamar (which means palm tree).

YHVH killed Er for his wickedness.
Judah urged Onan to fulfill the duties of levirate marriage (a brother provides a son for the deceased brother).

Onan knew the heir would not be his and allowed his semen to spill on the ground. This displeased YHVH and He killed him too.

Genesis 40
The butler and the baker of the king of Egypt offended their lord and were put in prison/dungeon ( בֵּרַת) where Joseph was confined.

After a while, the butler and baker had a dream, each with its own interpretation.

They told their dreams to Joseph who interpreted them.

The butler (cup bearer) had a dream of three branches of a vine (represented **3 days**). Within 3 days he would leave prison and be restored to his position and serve Pharaoh as before.

This is a picture of resurrection.

There are aspects of the butler and the baker that remind us of Yeshua.

John 6:35-40 And Yeshua said to them, "I am the bread **of life.** He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst...40 And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

John 15:5-6
"I am the vine, you are the branches... 6 If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw

The fate of people will be intertwined with the beast and false prophet. There will be much languishing during the tribulation. (See Revelation 13)

There is a real harlot
(בְּיֵלְיֵּבְיּיִי: temple
prostitute) that is
different from Tamar.
I find it very interesting
that the DLZ and HNT
use the Hebrew term
בְּיבָר. Therefore both
terms are still in play.

Revelation 17:3-5
... And I saw a woman
sitting on a scarlet beast
which was full of names
of blasphemy... 4 The
woman was arrayed in
purple and scarlet, and
adorned with gold and
precious stones and
pearls, having in her
hand a golden cup full

Judah told Tamar to remain a widow at her father's house until Shelah grew up.

Tamar's fate was impacted by two men who had offended YHVH.

Judah's wife died and Judah was comforted after her death.

Judah went to his sheepshearers at Timnah with Hirah.

Tamar was told Judah was going to Timnah to shear his sheep.

Tamar took off her widow's clothes, covered herself with a veil, and sat in an open place (בְּלֵבְיִם עִּיבֹיִבּים; in a door of eyes [of the landscape]) which was on the way to Timnah because Shelah was grown and not given to her as a husband.

Basically, Tamar's circumstances were forgotten as she waited in vain for Judah to fulfill his promise/obligation.

Judah saw Tamar, thought she was a harlot (זְנָה), and bargained with her for sex. He did not know she was his daughter-inJoseph asked him to remember him and show him kindness to help him get out of prison (בוֹר) but the butler forgot.

The writer is using this particular Hebrew word that was previously used for the pit Joseph's brothers put him in.

The baker had a dream of 3 white baskets on his head with all kinds of baked goods for the Pharaoh, but the birds ate them out of the basket on his head. Within 3 days Pharaoh would decapitate him and hang his body on a tree; the birds would eat his flesh.

Themes of the dreams: putting to death and sparing life.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day was Pharaoh's birthday feast. He fulfilled Joseph's interpretation of the two dreams. The chief butler forgot about Joseph. As a result, Joseph continued to languish in prison for a crime he did not commit. (He had been falsely accused of sexual immorality by a guilty party.)

Once released, Joseph

them into the fire, and they are burned.

Mark 14:57-59
Then some rose up and bore **false witness** against Him, saying, 58
"We heard Him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with hands, and within **three days** I will build another made without hands.'" 59 But not even then did their testimony agree.

Matthew 26:65-66
Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying, "He has spoken blasphemy! What further need do we have of witnesses?
Look, now you have heard His blasphemy!

Matthew 27:29-31 When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 30 Then they spat on Him. and took the reed and struck Him on the head. 31 And when they had mocked Him, they took the robe off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him away to be crucified.

1 Corinthians 15:3-8 For I (Paul) delivered to of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication. 5 And on her forehead a name was written:

MYSTERY, BABYLON
THE GREAT, **THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS**AND OF THE
ABOMINATIONS OF THE
EARTH.

Babylon the Great's identity is somewhat hidden from us through the veil of a prophetic vision. Her abominations and sexual immorality have offended YHVH.

Revelation 17:15-18 Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues. 16 And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these will hate the harlot, make her desolate and naked, eat her flesh and burn her with fire. 17 ... 18 And the woman whom you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth." (See all of Revelation 17)

(For past harlotry of God's people see also Jeremiah 2-3, Hosea, Ezekiel 16, 23, Nahum 3) law. He promised to give her a young goat from the flock. As a pledge he gave her his signet and cord, and his staff. She conceived as a result of this sexual union. She went home, set aside her veil, and put her widow's clothes back on.

Judah attempted to send the promised young goat via the Adullamite but "the harlot" was nowhere to be found. Hirah asked the men of the place where is the harlot (תְּבֶּילִבּיִר; the temple prostitute) was. They said there was no temple prostitute in this place.

Note the similarity in the roots of: קבישָׁה female devotee קבישׁ male devotee קבישׁ clean, holy, sanctify

About 3 months later, Judah was told that Tamar played the harlot (זְנְתָּד) and was pregnant by harlotry (בְּזְנוּנְים).

Judah said, "Bring her out to be burned."

This is the penalty for the daughter of a priest that plays the harlot (Leviticus 21:9).

was given a wife and eventually had 2 sons (Manasseh [בְּלֵנֶשֶׁה]; causing to forget] and Ephraim [אֶבְּרַיִם; double fruit; double ash-heap]). you first of all that which I also received: that **Messiah died** for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that **He was buried, and** that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. 6 After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. 7 After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. 8 Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.

# Regarding the descendants of Judah and Joseph:

Ezekiel 37:15-23 Again the word of the Lord came to me, saying, 16 "As for you, son of man, take a stick for yourself 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 Then join them one to another for yourself into one stick, and they will become one in your hand... 21 "Then say to

Revelation 19:19-20:1 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. 20 Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

### Their fate has already been determined.

Revelation 19:17-18 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, 18 that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."

Revelation 19:21 And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the When she was brought out, she showed him the signet and cord, and staff of the one who was responsible for the pregnancy. Judah said she was more righteous (אַרָּקָּה) than he because he did not give Shelah to her as a husband.

How do we view
Tamar's actions? Was
she falsely accused of
sexual immorality or
not? Who was the true
a guilty party in this
situation?

Tamar faced death but her life was spared.

Judah never knew her again.

Tamar was pregnant with twins. During delivery, a scarlet thread was tied around the hand that came out first. He withdrew his hand and his brother came out first. She said "How did you break through/forth (מה־ ភ្លុងៗគ្នា)?" This **breach** (בֶּרֶץְי) be upon you. Therefore his name was called **Perez** (לַבֶּרֶץְּרָ). After that his brother came out. His name was called **Zerah** (דֹרַ ; a rising).

Yeshua was born of the line of Perez, son of

them, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Surely I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, wherever they have gone, and will gather them from 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 over them all; they shall no longer be two nations, nor shall they ever be divided into two kingdoms again. 23 They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions; but I will deliver them from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them. Then they shall be My people, and I will be their God.

(See also Matthew 15:24; John 10:16; Romans 11:16-27; Zechariah 11-14) mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been **beheaded** for their witness to Yeshua and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Messiah for a thousand vears.

Note the connections to the baker's dream.

Revelation 20:15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21:4
And God will wipe
away every tear from
their eyes; there shall
be no more death, nor
sorrow, nor crying.
There shall be no more
pain, for the former
things have passed
away."

I think God will be gracious to us and cause us to forget the Judah. He was prophesied to arise with healing in His wings (Malachi 4:2). They are one. past.

**CENTRAL AXIS:** Joseph's integrity and success in Egypt; Yahweh was with Joseph in the midst of adversity and put him in positions of authority.

Genesis 39
Joseph was taken to
Egypt.
Potiphar, an officer of
Pharaoh, captain of the
guard, an Egyptian,
bought him from the
Ishmaelites who had
taken him down there.

YHVH was with Joseph. He was successful, and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

His master saw how he benefited from YHVH's blessing on Joseph (in his house and field).

Joseph was the overseer of Potiphar's house and everything was put under his authority.

Joseph was handsome in form and appearance.

Potiphar's wife asked Joseph to lie with her. Joseph refused. He knew it was a great wickedness and sin against God. She continually asked him to be with her or lie with her. On one occasion the men of the

As a result of his wife's accusations, Potiphar had Joseph put in prison (בית הַפֹּהָר).

But YHVH was with
Joseph and showed him
mercy, and gave him
favor in the sight of the
keeper of the prison.
Joseph was put in
charge of all the
prisoners. The keeper
did not look into
anything that was
under Joseph's
authority because
YHVH was with him;
YHVH made all that
Joseph did prosper.

In both situations (in Potiphar's house and in prison), Joseph was in a place of authority. He was essentially being trained for leadership and authority under very stressful conditions so that he could perform well once he was in the ultimate position God was preparing him for.

Matthew 27:46 And about the ninth hour Yeshua cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Psalm 22 would have immediately come to the mind of those who were crucifying Yeshua. It is a message to those who witnessed His crucifixion and to us.

Did the Father really forsake Yeshua? If Yeshua bore our iniquities, it would seem that these iniquities would merely have hidden the Father's face from Yeshua. The Father was there all the time. (Isaiah 53:11; 59:2)

Yeshua was very successful because:

- The Father gave Him authority over all flesh.
- He bypassed temptation.
- He taught Torah to the masses.
- He performed all

God is always in ultimate control even though the beast will have temporary authority in the future.

Revelation 13:1-8 Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name. 2 Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like the feet of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority. 3 And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast. 4 So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?" 5 And he was given a mouth speaking

house were not inside. She caught him by his garment and asked him again. He left his garment in her hand and fled from her and went outside. She called for help from the men of the house and falsely accused Joseph of trying to mock and rape her. She told her husband the same thing.

kinds of miracles.

- He did not lose those the Father gave Him except one, the son of perdition that the Scripture might be fulfilled.
- He bore our iniquities.
- Yeshua's death allowed Him to destroy the power of death (the devil) and brought us life.
- He rose from the dead.
- He will defeat the beast and his armies when He returns.
- He will reign over all the earth as King of kings and Lord of lords.

(See Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 20:18-19, Mark 6:2; John 2:7, 17:2, 12; 2 Timothy 1:9-11; Hebrews 2:14-15; Zechariah 6:12-13; Romans 15:8-13; 1 Corinthians 15:23-28; Revelation 2:25-27; 11:15-16; 19:15-16, etc.)

We will reign with Him.

2 Timothy 2:10-12 Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Messiah Yeshua with eternal glory. 11 This is a faithful saying: For if we died with Him, great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. 6 Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. 7 It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation.

Revelation 17:12-14 "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. 13 These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. 14 These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful."

We shall also live with

Him. 12 If we endure, We shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us.

Revelation 5:9-10
And they sang a new song, saying:
"You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, 10 And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

Revelation 20:6
Blessed and holy is
anyone who has a part
in the first resurrection;
over him the second
death has no power. On
the contrary, they will
be cohanim (priests) of
God and of the
Messiah, and they will
rule with him for the
thousand years.
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Revelation 22:4-5
they will see his face,
and his name will be on
their foreheads. 5 Night
will no longer exist, so
they will need neither
the light of a lamp nor
the light of the sun,
because Adonai, God,
will shine upon them.
And they will reign as
kings forever and ever.

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Unless otherwise indicated, the New King James Version was used with Jesus being replaced by Yeshua, and Christ being replaced by Messiah.

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