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# Provision in the Place of Nearness

# Joseph as a Picture of Jesus



# Parallels between Joseph and our Lord Jesus:

**#1**

**Joseph was  
greatly loved by  
his father**

**Jesus was  
greatly loved by  
God the Father.**

Matthew 3:16-17

and behold, a voice from heaven  
said, ***“This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well pleased.”***

*Matthew 4: 2-3*

*“After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.”*

*John 13:1*

*“Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, **having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.**”*

*Galatians 2:20*

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## **#2**

**Joseph and his  
younger brother,  
Benjamin, were born  
of the same mother.  
Rachel-a picture of  
Grace.**

**Our Lord Jesus  
Himself is the  
embodiment of  
grace.**

**Jacob + Leah**

**10 children**

**Jacob + Rachel**

**Joseph  
Benjamin**

# Parallels between Joseph and our Lord Jesus:

## #3

Joseph was persecuted by his older brothers, who sold him to slave traders out of jealousy for 20 pieces of silver (Gen. 37:12–36)

Jesus was betrayed by Judas out of jealousy and envy for 30 pieces of silver.  
(Matt. 27:18).

# Parallels between Joseph and our Lord Jesus:

**#4**

**Joseph provided grain  
and food to the children  
of Israel during a time  
of famine**

**Our Lord Jesus is the  
bread of life to us.**

# **Parallels between Joseph and our Lord Jesus:**

**#5**

**Joseph took a  
Gentile bride,  
Asenath**

**Jesus calls us, the  
Gentile Church, His  
bride.**

# Parallels between Joseph and our Lord Jesus:

## #6

The first time Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, they did not recognize him.

But the second time Joseph appeared to his brothers, he revealed himself to them.

Israel did not recognize Jesus in His first coming.

Jesus will reveal Himself to Israel in His second coming.

“So when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread. Then Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians, **“Go to Joseph; whatever he says to you, do.”**”

— Genesis 41:55 NKJV

“And the famine has been over all the face of the land, and **Joseph openeth all [places] which have [corn] in them**, and selleth to the Egyptians; and the famine is severe in the land of Egypt,”— Genesis 41:56 YLT

“When Joseph saw Benjamin with them,  
he said to the steward of his house,  
“Take these men to my home, and  
slaughter an animal and make ready; for  
these men will dine with me at noon.”—  
Genesis 43:16 NKJV

“Then he lifted his eyes and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, "Is this your younger brother of whom you spoke to me?" And he said, "**God be gracious to you, my son.**"

— Genesis 43:29 NKJV

“And so it was, as her soul was departing  
(for she died), that she called his name  
**Ben-Oni (*son of my sorrow*)**; but his  
father called him  
**Benjamin (*son of my right hand*).**”  
— Genesis 35:18 NKJV

“Now his heart yearned for his brother; so Joseph made haste and sought somewhere to weep. And he went into his chamber and wept there. Then he washed his face and came out; and he restrained himself, and said, **"Serve the bread."**—  
Genesis 43:30–31 NKJV

“Then he took servings to them from before him, **but Benjamin's serving was five times as much as any of theirs.** So they drank and were merry with him.”

— Genesis 43:34 NKJV

**The Benjamin Generation will  
be a generation that receives  
five times more blessings from  
the Lord!**

“He gave to all of them, to each man,  
changes of garments; **but to  
Benjamin he gave three hundred  
pieces of silver and five changes  
of garments.”**

— Genesis 45:22 NKJV

**The Benjamin Generation will  
experience five times more  
anointing, revelation, provision,  
strength, and healing!**

**God wants the Benjamin  
Generation to come close to  
Him. He desires for us to be  
near to Him and to see that He  
only has grace—not judgment  
or wrath—to pour out on us.**

“And he said, Peace be to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them.”

— Genesis 43:23 KJV

**Our Lord Jesus loves for us  
to be close to Him.**

***“But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For these two years the famine has been in the land, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting.***

***And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance. So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.***

***“Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph: “God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not tarry. You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near to me, you and your children, your children’s children, your flocks and your herds, and all that you have. There I will provide for you, lest you and your household, and all that you have, come to poverty; for there are still five years of famine.”***

***“And behold, your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my mouth that speaks to you. So you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen; and you shall hurry and bring my father down here.”—Genesis 45:4–13 NKJV***

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“Then Jesus said to them, “Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.””

— Mark 1:17 NKJV

**There's provision in  
a place of nearness**

*“To console those who mourn in Zion,  
To give them **beauty for ashes**,  
The **oil of joy for mourning**,  
The **garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness**;  
That they may be called trees of righteousness,  
The planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified.”—Isaiah 61:3 NKJV*

**The more you spend time in  
worship, in His presence, the  
more you will experience His  
love for you afresh, and receive  
His blessings and provisions  
for your life!**

Just like Joseph told his brothers, “*You shall dwell near me, and there I will provide for you*” (Gen. 45:10–11), Jesus is calling us today:

- Draw near in worship.*
- Draw near in trust.*
- Draw near in rest.*

**In that place of nearness, you'll find that the famine cannot touch you, because your heavenly Joseph has five times more waiting for you.**



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