

Week 11: January 4, 2025

Shabbat Message

Vayigash / *And He Came Near* / וַיֵּגַשׁ

[Genesis 44:18-47:27](#)

My Way or Yah's Way

Getting Ready for the Upward Gathering

Introduction

In this Torah portion you will find that Pharaoh offering Joseph the best of the land to His father Jacob and his family. We see a record of his sons that were born to Jacob and all of his descendants after him including Ephraim and Manasseh who were born to Joseph in Egypt that were counted among the Sons of Israel because they were adopted by Jacob as sons as well.

Today will also see Joseph as another shadow of Yeshua. In the past you have seen Joseph portraying a shadow of Yeshua for instance Joseph was in Egypt and so was Yeshua, Joseph was despised by his brother and then later revered when they were all in Egypt, Yeshua was despised was later revered after His resurrection and ascension, Joseph was Betrayed, Yeshua was betrayed, Joseph felt forsaken, Yeshua felt forsaken, Joseph was sent to save his people, Yeshua was sent to save His people I can go on and on with the parallels today I want to go into another parallel and that the regathering of Jacob to Joseph just as His people Israel will be regathered as well both Israel and the nations. After Yeshua regathers His bride. How do you prepare for the regathering as you walk in Yah's Way? Today we will talk about it.

Genesis 46:1-5

1. Jacob prepares himself for His journey by first worshiping Yehovah and offering up sacrifices to Him.
2. We are also supposed to be ready and worship but we are to accept the Sacrifice of Yeshua in order to prepare ourselves. Hebrew 10:10.
3. Just as Jacob heard the Word of Yehovah and obeyed Him we are to hear the Word of Yehovah and obey Him as well.

Genesis 45:27

1. Jacob strengthened Himself we saw the truth that Joseph was alive.

2. The Disciples of Yeshua strengthened themselves when they say Yeshua was alive. John 20:1-10
3. We are to be revived knowing that our Faith will become sight. Acts 3:20

Genesis 45:28

1. Three very powerful words It is enough! All Jacob had to do is believe and obey the word that Joseph was alive.
2. Shema: Hear and Obey that Yehovah is Elohim and His Son is Risen. We put our faith in Him and follow His Commandments.
3. The moment Jacob accepted the Word He was preparing for His journey! The Moment we receive the Word that Yeshua is alive and walk in His Word we are prepared for His journey.

Genesis 46:29

1. Jacob anticipated Joseph from far away after having not seen him in many years.
2. We anticipate Yeshua from far away even though we haven't seen Him we love Him and we are filled with Joy. 1 Peter 1:8
3. Once Jacob saw Joseph He wept. When we see Yeshua He will wipe away all of our tears. Revelation 21:4.

Genesis 47:11

1. Joseph settles Jacob and His family in Goshen the best in the land. Goshen is symbolic of the Messianic Age but not the Eternal Kingdom.
2. When we are gathered to Yeshua we are going to be settled in His Messianic Kingdom where He can take care of us and He can teach us His ways. 2 Thessalonians 2:1 1 Thessalonians 4:17.
3. We are with Yeshua HaMashiach forever He said with his own mouth in John 14:2-6, Hebrews 9:28; 2 Timothy 4:8

Take Away

1. Jacob anticipated to be with Joseph so we must anticipate to be with Yeshua.
2. Joseph encouraged Himself to go on the hard journey to Joseph so we must encourage ourselves to go on the hard journey to Yeshua The Narrow Road. Just how narrow will it get? You will find out soon enough.
3. Jacob looked for Joseph afar off we must also wait and watch for Yeshua from afar off until He returns again.

Application

1. I will prepare myself and watch and pray for Yeshua's soon return from the Heavens.

2. I will be in anticipation of His return every day!
3. I will be a watcher of the prophetic signs that are coming upon the earth like never before
now is the time to strengthen what remain...arise oh sleeper and rise from the Dead and
Let Yeshua shine upon You. Maranatha!

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