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PROVERBS 3:18

Parsha Mikketz
(At the End)
Genesis 41:1 – 44:17
1Kings 3:15 – 4:1
Acts 7:9-16

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At the End

- Gen 41:1 Now **at the end** of two whole years, Pharaoh was dreaming. Behold, there he was standing by the Nile. Weave relatable stories into your presentation using narratives that make your message memorable and impactful
- Context from Ch 40 is two years from the interpretation of the cupbearer and bakers dream...
- Gen 40:23 Yet the chief of the cupbearers did not remember Joseph—indeed, he forgot him.
- Joseph exiled/slavery from 17 to 30!
- When we think God has forgotten or abandon us. He's working towards a greater purpose!
- Read **Hebrews 12:5-11**
- Read **Romans 5:3-5**
- **Weather** it's two years or thirteen years, keeping fighting the Good fight of Faith!
- **1 Timothy 6:1-2**
- **2 Timothy 4:7**

At the End

- Also prophetic to the Acharit Ha'Yamim (End of Days)
- Certainly, prophetic of the End of Days, concerning Israel and the Messiah
- Perhaps connected to:

Hoshea 6:1-2 Come, let us return to Adonai. For He has torn, but He will heal us. He has smitten, but He will bind us up. After two days He will revive us. On the third day He will raise us up, and we will live in His presence.

or

John 2:19-21 "Destroy this Temple," Yeshua answered them, "and in three days I will raise it up." The Judean leaders then said to Him, "Forty-six years this Temple was being built, and You will raise it up in three days?" But He was talking about the temple of His body.

At the End

<u>Phase</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Approx Window</u>
Firstfruits	Messiah resurrected	AD 30 / 33
Judgment	Temple destroyed	AD 70
Revival	Israel returns to land	20th–21st c.
Third-Day Raising	Resurrection / full restoration	2030–2070+ window

Maturation of Giftings

- It's interesting that the Spiritual giftings that ignited Joseph's exile also triggers His restoration (Giftings can be a great strength or weakness) :
- *Genesis 37:10-11 He told it to his father as well as his brothers. Then his father rebuked him and said to him, "What's this dream you dreamed? Will we really come—your mother and I with your brothers—to bow down to the ground to you?" So his brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the speech in mind.*
- The Cupbearer to Pharaoh: *Genesis 41:13 Then it came about, just as he interpreted for us, so it happened. Me he restored to my position, but him he hung.*
- Pharaoh to Joseph: *Genesis 41:38-39 Then Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can a man like this be found, one in whom is God's Spirit?" Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has made all this known to you, there is no one as discerning and wise as you.*

The Author of all things, God.

- 7 Fat Cows & Full Ears of Grain followed by 7 Skinny Cows & lean ears of grain.
- 7 years of plenty followed by 7 years of famine happened. Through it, Israel is reunited in Egypt. **Genesis 45:6 & Genesis 46:2-6**
- This overlaps with Gods prophetic timing He promised Abraham. After 430 years they will inhabit the land: **Genesis 15:13 & Exodus 12:41**
- It played into the timing of the Jubilee when Israel took the land! **Joshua 6**
- Josephs dream of 11 stars, the sun and moon bowing down to him could have signified 13 years to he rise to power (17 years old to 30 years old) **Gen 37:2 & Gen 14:46.**
- Certainly, foreshadowed His family bowing before him. **Genesis 42:7**
- And foreshadowed the coming Messiah! **Revelation 12:1-2**
- If God gives us a purpose, He will be faithful to finish it! **Hebrews 12:2**

Operating in our Spiritual Giftings

- Contrary to popular belief, the Gifts are is for serving the Lord and Benefitting others. Not us “Lording over” others:

1 Corinthians 12:5-7 There are various kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are various kinds of working, but the same God who works all things in all people. But to each person is given the manifestation of the Ruach for the benefit of all.

- Benefits of gathering, amplified and multiplied blessings: $1+1 = 10!$

John 7:37-39 On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Yeshua stood up and cried out loudly, “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture says, ‘out of his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.’” Now He said this about the Ruach, whom those who trusted in Him were going to receive; for the Ruach was not yet given, since Yeshua was not yet glorified.

Coming from Gods throne: Gen 2:10, Ezek 47:1, Zech 14:8 & Rev 22:1

Spiritual Giftings:

- Joseph was operating in these Spiritual giftings:

1 Corinthians 12:8 For to one is given through the Ruach a word of wisdom, to another a word of knowledge according to the same Ruach,

1 Corinthians 12:10 to another workings of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

- A word of Wisdom is for the future (Visions) (Open vs Closed)
- A word of Knowledge is for now! (Dreams)

Joel 3:1-2 “So it will be afterward, I will pour out My Ruach on all flesh: your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Also, on the male and the female servants will I pour out My spirit in those days.

The Gifts of the Spirit

- THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF YAHWEH: **ISAIAH 11:2**

THE SPIRIT OF YAHWEH

THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING,

THE SPIRIT OF COUNSEL AND POWER,

THE SPIRIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND FEARING YAHWEH

1Cor 12:4-6 Now there are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. Also there are different ways of serving, but it is the same Lord being served. And there are different modes of working, but it is the same God working them all in everyone.



The Gifts of the Spirit

- The Spirit of Yahweh



- The Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
 - 1 Cor 12:8 Words of Wisdom, Words of Knowledge



- The Spirit of counsel and power,
 - 1 Cor 12:9-10 Faith, Healing, Miracles & Prophecy



- The Spirit of knowledge and fearing Yahweh
 - 1 Cor 12:10 Discernment, Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues

1Cor 12:7 Moreover, to each person is given the particular manifestation of the Spirit that will be for the common good.

1Cor 12:11 One and the same Spirit is at work in all these things, distributing to each person as he chooses.

The Seven Spirits of God



We all have a gifting and a calling:

1Peter 4:10-11 As each one has received some spiritual gift, he should use it to serve others, like good managers of God's many-sided grace — if someone speaks, let him speak God's words; if someone serves, let him do so out of strength that God supplies; so that in everything God may be glorified through Yeshua the Messiah — to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

Guidance, being led by the spirit

- GODS SPIRITUAL WORD TO US ALWAYS ALIGNS WITH HIS WRITTEN WORD, THE TWO ARE NEVER IN CONFLICT. THE SPIRITUAL WORD IS SITUATIONAL OR SPECIFIC IN WAYS THE WRITTEN WORD CANNOT BE. IT'S THE WRITTEN WORD MADE ALIVE FOR EACH SITUATION'S CIRCUMSTANCES. IT LEADS US IN STEPS!

Dreams: one of four ways God leads inwardly

The FOUR different ways the Ruach communicates INWARDLY (not outward):

1. Inward Witness (Inward confirmation) – Most Common. (Urim Thummim). God always answers believers in Good standing
2. Inward Perception (Seeing/Understanding/Perceiving)
3. Inward Visions – Least Common
4. Inward Dreams – 2nd most common

Inward Witness: (Inward Sign) Most common leading, agrees/disagrees with statements ideas thoughts etc..

○ Act 16:6-10, Rom 8:15-17, John 4:3-4, Mat 4:1, Psa 16:7 & Prov 20:27 Foreshadowed by the Urim/Tumin Num 27:21 & Exo 28:30-31

Perception: (Seeing) Highest form of leading, greatest insight. Like our imagination, hard to distinguish!

○ Acts 14:8-10, 27:9-11 & John 1:45-51

Visions: Open (Gen 15:1-4) vs closed visions (Rev 1:10). Can be minimized by sin 1Sam 3:1. Always futuristic

○ Gen 15:1-21, 46:2-4, 2Sam 7:4-17, Isa 1:1-31, Ezek 12:27-28, Dan 2:19, Act 9:10-12, & 10:10-19. Confused with reality! Act 12:9

Dreams: Confirm Gods plans, Symbolism used. Interpretation requires immediate action! Can be Food inspired

○ Gen 20:3-6, 31:10-11, 37:5-11, 40:16-19, 41:1-8, Dan 2:3-16, Matt 1:20, 2:12, 2:19 & 2:22

Gifts worth fighting for:

- God doesn't just dump blessings on us, if it is His will, we will have to fight for it! We don't have to "make it happen" but you do have to cooperate and walk in obedience. It doesn't just "fall on us". (It's an "Abraham" deal)

- Fight the Good Fight of Faith!

1Tim 6:12 Fight the good fight of the faith, take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you testified so well to your faith before many witnesses.

- And without Faith it is impossible to please God!

Heb 11:6 And without trusting (Faith), it is impossible to be well pleasing to God, because whoever approaches him must trust that he does exist and that he becomes a Rewarder to those who seek him out.

Gifts worth fighting for:

- Satan doesn't want you to have what Messiah already bought for you, what Messiah has already won for you! There is a fight to receive! Those fights are revealed to us by spiritual means.
- If a father were to give his son a promised inheritance, would the Father publish in a public newspaper the code to the safe? Or where he put the gift? Or exactly where the “stash” is? No! Why? It would be stolen! (Steal, Kill, Destroy **John 10:10**)
- We are at war with real spiritual forces!
 - Battles for your salvation (Spiritual/Physical)
 - Battles for your peace (Spiritual/Physical)
 - Battles for your calling (People, places, ministry etc...)
 - Battles for your home and heart!
- God does not intend the wicked inherit all media, land, ownership, money etc...

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Our inheritance is worth fighting for!

Num 13:1 Adonai said to Moshe, "Send men on your behalf to reconnoiter the land of Kena'an, which I am giving to the people of Isra'el. From each ancestral tribe send someone who is a leader in his tribe."

- God was “gifting/giving” them the land. But they had to fight for it!
- The question wasn't “IF” we should take the land, it was “HOW”
- There is no question of who the land belongs to. Gods promise to Israel...
- Even though all Israel had to do was stand in Gods word, and God did the fighting on their behalf (**Exo 34:24**), this generation failed! And blessing was passed to the next generation.
- This is for us: **1Corinthians 10:1-13**
- He does it in “steps” gradually until you are ready: **Exodus 23:29-30 & Psalm 37:23**

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Joseph, a picture of Yeshua

1. **Favored by the Father:** (*Gen 37:3*) Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children...” (*Matthew 3:17, John 5:20*) “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”
2. **Sent by the Father to His brothers:** (*Gen 37:13–14*) “Israel said to Joseph... ‘Go now, see if it is well with your brothers...’” (*John 3:17, Heb 3:1*) “God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world...” “Messiah Yeshua... sent by God”
3. **Rejected by their brothers:** (*Gen 37:4, 37:18*) “They hated him and could not speak peaceably to him.” “They Conspired against him to kill him” (*Psalms 118:22, John 1:11*) “The stone that builders rejected” “He came to His own, and His own did not receive him”
4. **Both served as Shepherds:** (*Gen 37:2*) “Joseph was shepherding the flock with his brothers” (*John 10:11, Ezk 34:23*) “I am the good shepherd” “I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd.”
5. **Stripped of their garments:** In humiliation/rejection! (*Gen 37:23*) “So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the ornate robe he was wearing” (*Mat 27:28, John 19:23*) “They stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him” “When the soldiers crucified Yeshua, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares”

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6. Suffered and casted down: (Gen 37:24) “They took him and cast him into a pit” (Psalm 16:10, Acts 2:31) “because you will not abandon me to the pit of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay.” “Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay.”

7. Sold for Silver: (Gen 37:28) “So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.” (Mat 26:15) “What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?” So they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver.”

8. Silent when accused: (Gen 39:19-21) “When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, “This is how your slave treated me,” he burned with anger. Joseph’s master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king’s prisoners were confined. (Isa 53:7, Mat 27:12-14) “He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.” “But Yeshua made no reply, not even to a single charge to the great amazement of the governor.”

9. Suffering though innocent: (Genesis 39:9, 39:20) “No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?” (Luke 23:41, 1Peter 2:22) “We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.” “He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

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10. Between two prisoners: Judgment and salvation revealed side-by-side. (**Gen 40:2-3**) Cupbearer and baker imprisoned alongside him. (**Luke 23:23-43**) The two criminals crucified with him

11. Exalted after humiliation: (**Gen 41:41-43**) “He had him ride in a chariot as his second-in-command, and people shouted before him, “Make way!” Thus he put him in charge of the whole land of Egypt.” (**John 3:17, Heb 3:1**) “God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name...”

12. Given authority over the nations: (**Gen 41:55-57**) “Moreover, all the earth came to Egypt, to Joseph, to buy grain, because the famine was severe over all the earth.” (**Isa 11:10, John 5:22, Rev 5:12**) “It will also come about in that day that the root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples. The nations will seek for Him”

13. Savior of the world: (**Gen 41:57**) “Moreover, all the earth came to Egypt, to Joseph, to buy grain, because the famine was severe over all the earth” (**John 4:42, Rom. 1:16**) “...we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”.

14. Hidden Identity, then revealed to brothers: (**Genesis 42:8, 45:1-5**) “Though Joseph recognized his brothers, they did not recognize him.” (**Rom 11:25-26**) “that a partial hardening has come upon Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in; and in this way all Israel will be saved”

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15. Forgiveness instead of vengeance: (Gen 50:20) “You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.” (Luke 23:34, Isa 53:12) “Yeshua said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing”

16. Reunion leads to life for Israel: (Genesis 46:29-30, 47:12) “As soon as he appeared before him, he fell upon his neck, and wept on his neck for some time. Then Israel said to Joseph, At this time I am ready to die, after seeing your face in person—for you’re still alive!” (Rom 11:15, Ezk 37:24-28, John 6:35) “For if their rejection leads to the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?”

17. Second in Command to the King: (Genesis 41:40) “You shall be in charge of my palace, and all my people are to submit to your orders. Only with respect to the throne will I be greater than you.” (Psa 110:1, Heb 1:3, 1Cor 15:24-28) “then the end, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father after He has destroyed all rule and all authority and power.”

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17. Takes on a Gentile name: “Jesus” or “Zaphenath-Paneah” **Gen 41:45**

18. Takes a Gentile bride: (**Gen 41:45**) “Asenath daughter of Potiphera, priest of On to be his wife.” (**Rev 7:9**) “a vast multitude that no one could count—from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues—was standing before the throne and before the Lamb.”

19. Testing the brothers for a heart change: Before He reveals Himself... (**Gen 44:33**) So now, please let your servant remain as my lord’s slave in the boy’s place, and let the boy go up with his brothers. (**Mat 23:37-39**) “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem who kills the prophets and stones those sent to her! How often I longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! Look, your house is left to you desolate! For I tell you, you will never see Me again until you say, ‘Baruch ha-ba b’shem Adonai. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

Maturation of Giftings

- I don't think these similarities are a coincidence, do you?
- Then just as God was faithful to bring Joseph into the fulness of His calling, He will also be faithful to bring Yeshua into the fulness of all prophecy. Nothing will fall short!
- We can learn that serving God and doing His will may not be what we think it means, it will be hard. But with God's power and our obedience we will persevere just as Joseph did.
- To walk in the fulness of God's calling, we need to:
 1. Show the fruit of the Spirit (Comes with walk & discipline, Humility)
 2. Walk in our Spiritual Giftings (Free Gift)
(Seek the better Gifts Luke 11, Practice our gifts, Don't quench the Spirit)
 3. The Great Commission, are we witnessing?

Solomons Example: (Haftarah)

1Kings 3:12-14 behold, I have done according to your words. I have given you a wise and discerning mind, so that there has been none like you before you, nor shall anyone like you arise after you. Moreover I have also given you what you did not request—both riches and honor—so that no one among the kings will be like you all your days. Furthermore, if you walk in My ways, keeping My statutes and My commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.”

- Solomons Wisdom: 1Kings 3:16-28

James 1:5-8 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all without hesitation and without reproach; and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, without any doubting—for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord—he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

- The wonderful Councilor, the Spirit of truth will guide is in a single purpose to His calling! Unity of mind, direction and action. Unity in Spirit.

Brit Chadesha Reading: Acts 7

Acts 7:9-13 The patriarchs became jealous of Joseph and sold him into Egypt. Yet God was with him. He rescued him out of all his troubles and granted him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh, king of Egypt, who made him governor over Egypt and all his household. “Famine and great suffering came over all Egypt and Canaan, and our fathers could find no food. But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent our fathers there the first time. On the second visit, Joseph made himself known to his brothers, and his family became known to Pharaoh.

1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my dearly loved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord—because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Be Steadfast!

Gal 6:9-10 So let us not grow weary of doing what is good; for if we don't give up, we will in due time reap the harvest. Therefore, as the opportunity arises, let us do what is good to everyone, and especially to the family of those who are trustingly faithful.



Shabbat Shalom!

QUESTIONS

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