

GENESIS

50:1-14

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TITLE

OF THE MESSAGE:

“‘Death,’ The Believer's Door”

THEME:

The Dream Fulfilled

In the life of Joseph

INTRODUCTION;

The Dream Fulfilled !

In the life of Joseph

God had been at work in the life of Joseph since before his birth with his family, with his people, with his nation, with the future...

God had chosen a man to fulfill the promises to Abraham

Last Week,

Jacob's Prophetic words regarding his son's and their offspring throughout world history.

Finally,

Genesis 49:33

And when Jacob had finished commanding his sons, he drew his feet up into the bed and breathed his last, and was gathered to his people.

This... **“Gathering to his People”**

Death

for the Old Testament Believer

was not a “*sleep*” or a “*non-conscience*” state.

Don't Be Confused;

With verses that APPEAR to say things like

1 King 2:10 KJV

So David *slept* with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.

Slept

HEB shakab (shaw-kab)

to lay down the body to rest as a deceased body (be dead)

Daniel 12:13

"But you, go your way till the end; for you shall *rest*, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days."

Rest

HEB nuwach (noo'-akh)

to rest, to lie down literally (be dead)

When sleep, rest or slept

is used in the scripture, it is always in relation to the state of the body

A New Testament Example;

Mark 5:39-41

When He came in, He said to them, "Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." ⁴⁰ And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying. ⁴¹ Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

Turn To Luke 16:19

David Understood this;

2 Samuel 12:19-23

When David saw that his servants were whispering, David perceived that the child was dead. Therefore David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead." ²⁰ So David arose from the ground, washed and anointed himself, and changed his clothes; and he went into the house of the LORD and worshipped. Then he went to his own house; and when he requested, they set food before him, and he ate. ²¹ Then his servants said to him, "What is this that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food." ²² And he said, "While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who can tell whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' ²³ "But now he is dead; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again?

I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

The Reality of our State after death

2 Corinthians 5:1-6, 8

For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, ³ if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. ⁴ For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Holy Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶ So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord... ⁸ *We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.*

Luke 23:43

And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise. (***Abraham's Bosom, not for long***)"

When Jacob said...

Genesis 49:29b

"I am to be gathered to my people; (spiritually)
bury me with my fathers (physically)..."

"Because of His Resurrection Hope

1 Corinthians 15:53

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

Verse 1

Here is fulfilled Genesis 46:4 NIV

I will go down to Egypt with you, and I will surely bring you back again. And Joseph's own hand will close your eyes."

Verse 2-3

Mummification

An Extremely Technical Process

- *The vital organs were removed at once and the corpse was hollowed out.*
- *Fill the cavity with spices and mixtures for preservation.*
- *Suck the brain out through the nose.*
- *The skin Immediately was prepared with special conditioners*
- *Wax the body with a gum-compound*
- *Then wrapped tightly with cloths that held in the embalming fluids*
- *The crafters would begin to assemble a custom coffin or case*

Once prepared:

They would take the mummy to the inner chamber where the coffin was to rest, usually with great wealth and seeds and even his wife would be placed with him there.

Just in case She wants her Mummy !

ALL FOR THE NEW ARRIVAL

in the world beyond.

We are Guilty of the same thing today...

The Funeral Home Practice of Embalming, it's "Egyptian"

**The Laws required of the deceased are only one.
To be buried no less than six feet under.**

All the "TO DO"

about the body, the shell, **the tent**, the tool.

1 Corinthians 15:51, 53 KJV

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep,
but we shall all be changed... ⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption,
and this mortal must put on immortality.

Verse 4-6

Verse 7-11

Verse 11

There is archeological evidence that this area of the Canaanites was
under Egyptian jurisdiction at this time.

Verse 12-13a

They paused to mourn 7 days before crossing the "Jordan" into the promised land.

A Model of Conversion

(The Jordan experience), The Christian experience (Canaan's Land)
a life of victory in the midst of battles

Dying to Self

Brings the most dynamic and rewarding Christian Experience.

Romans 6:11

Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin,
but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reckon GRK *logizomai* (log-id'-zom-ahee)

to take inventory, to estimate to conclude, to sum up!!!

Romans 6:7

For he who has died has been freed from sin.

Romans 8:10

And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin,
(a total pain in the @%#*&% and everywhere else)
but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

The Body ÷ The Soul ÷ The Spirit

TURN TO ROMANS;

7:20, 7:24, 8:1, 8:10-11

Go Reckon This;

Galatians 2:20

The Paul & Peter Event