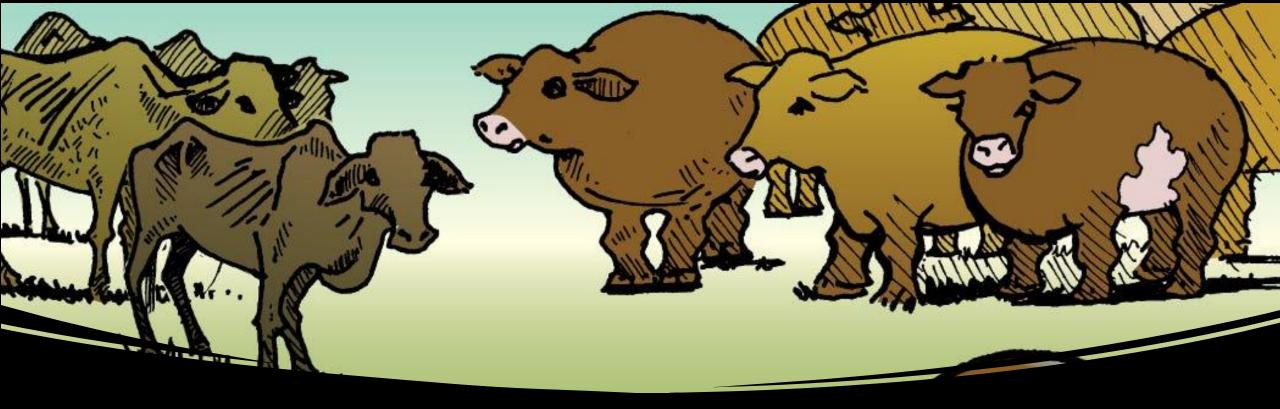
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"At the end of" Genesis 41-44:17 Topics:
Joseph the dream interpreter
Joseph's exaltation
Joseph and Yeshua
Clothing connections



Dream of Cows

Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing by the Nile, 2 and behold, there came up out of the Nile seven cows, attractive and plump, and they fed in the reed grass. 3 And behold, seven other cows, ugly and thin, came up out of the Nile after them, and stood by the other cows on the bank of the Nile. 4 And the ugly, thin cows ate up the seven attractive, plump cows.



Dream of stalks

Pharaoh awoke. 5 And he fell asleep and dreamed a second time. And behold, seven ears of grain, plump and good, were growing on one stalk. 6 And behold, after them sprouted seven ears, thin and blighted by the east wind. 7 And the thin ears swallowed up the seven plump, full ears. And Pharaoh awoke, and behold, it was a dream.



Joseph: precise dream interpreter I. Chief Baker II. Chief cupbearer III. Pharaoh IV. His own

"Do not interpretations belong to God?" – Gen 40:8 I cannot interpret dreams," Joseph replied to Pharaoh, "but God will give Pharaoh the answer he desires." – Gen 41:16

<u>Genesis 41:33, 37-39</u>

33Now therefore let Pharaoh select a discerning and wise man, and set him over the land of Egypt....

37 The plan seemed good to Pharaoh and to all his officials. 38 So Pharaoh asked them, "Can we find anyone like this man, one in whom is the spirit of God?"

39 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has made all this known to you, there is no one so discerning and wise as you. Genesis 41:40-41

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."

41 So Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt.

Gen 41:42-44

42 Then Pharaoh took his signet ring from his hand and put it on Joseph's hand, and clothed him in clothing of fine linen and put a gold chain about his neck.

43 And he made him ride in his second chariot. And they called out before him, "Bend the knee!" Thus he set him over all the land of Egypt.

44 Moreover, Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I am Pharaoh, and without your consent no one shall lift up hand or foot in all the land of Egypt."





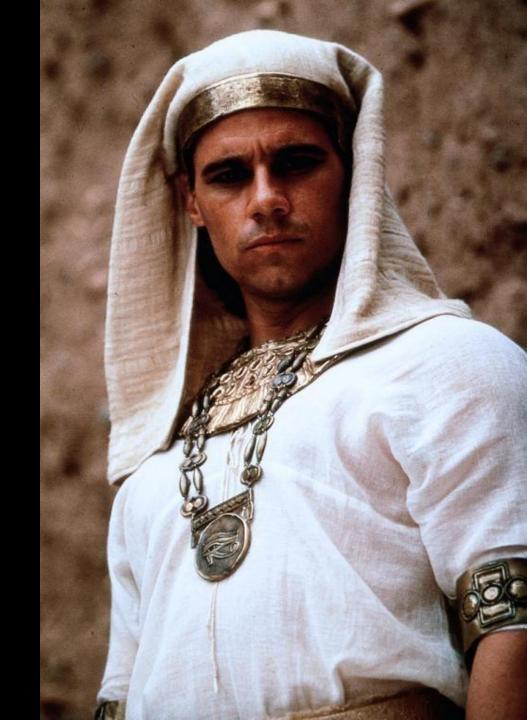
Pharaoh Tutankhamun

Reigned: 1336-1327 BC

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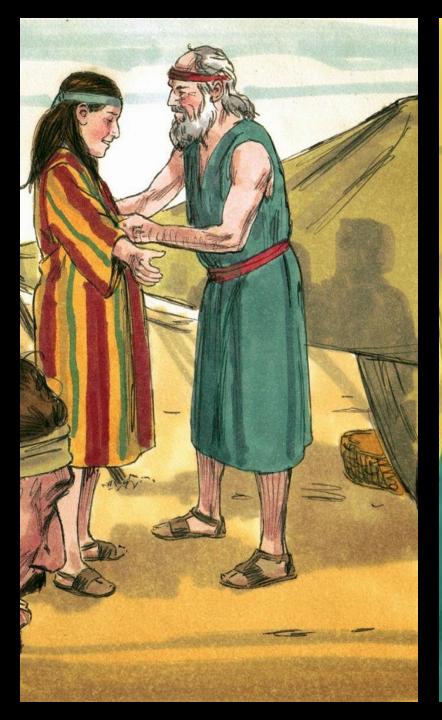
Joseph's Clothing

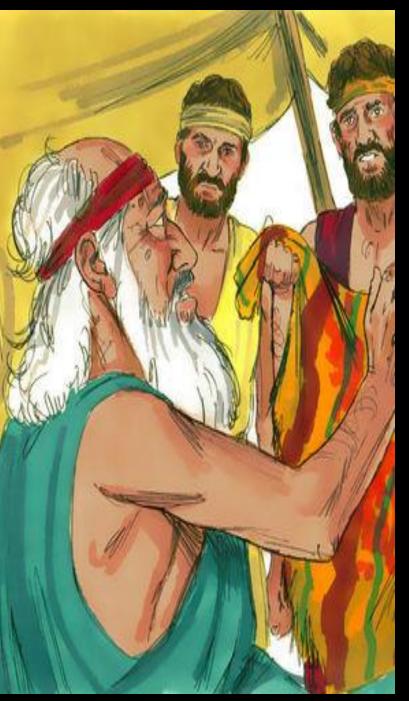
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Rags to Riches









Chiasm of Clothing

A Favorite Son – Robe of many colors

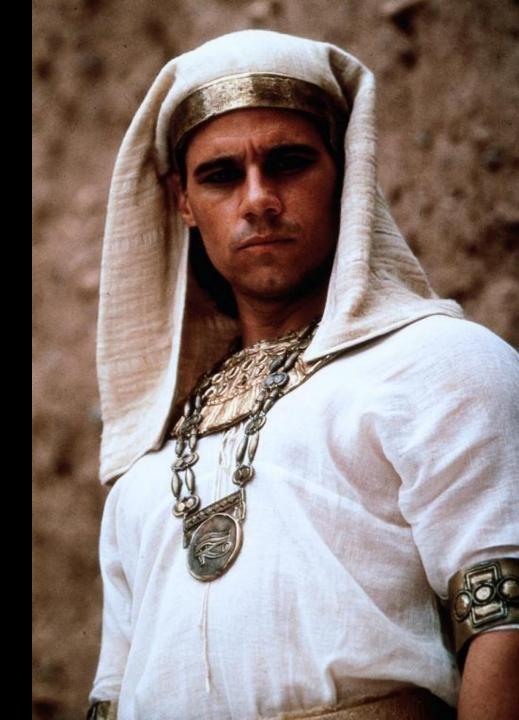
B clothing removed – rejected by brothers

B clothing removed – rejected Potiphar's wife

A Overseer of Egypt – clothed in fine linen

Joseph, Vizier of Egypt

- The most powerful man on the planet listens to the Hebrew Joseph!
- 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." – Gen. 41:40



Genesis 50:20 - God directs the path

Joseph to his brothers:

"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives."

Matthew 20:18-19

"We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the Torah. They will condemn him to death ¹⁹ and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!"

The power of God – Protection from Famine

- Joseph stored up huge quantities of grain, like the sand of the sea; it was so much that he stopped keeping records because it was beyond measure. (Gen. 41:49)
- And all the world came to Egypt to buy grain from Joseph, because the famine was severe everywhere. (Gen 41:57)
- Jacob said, "I have heard that there is grain in Egypt. Go down there and buy some for us, so that we may live and not die." (Gen 42:2)



The power of God – Great Nation

God said to Israel: "I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for there I will make you into a great nation. I myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again, (Gen. 46:3-4)

The Israelites journeyed from Rameses to Sukkot. There were about six hundred thousand men on foot, besides women and children. (Ex. 12:37)



• Tú π o ζ (tupos) – mold, pattern, model

•Hebrews 9:24 - For Messiah did not enter a sanctuary made with human hands that was only a pattern/model (antitype) of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence.

Typological analysis: Joseph & Yeshua

Similarities	Joseph	Yeshua
Age	30 years old	30 years old
Early experiences	Fav. son; mostly rejected	unique; mostly rejected
Sold for money	20 pieces of silver, Judah	30 pieces of silver, Judas
Identity	Unrecognized by brothers	Emmaus, Mary, Mark
Authority	2 nd in command of Egypt	Right hand of the Father
Visual change	Clothes, necklace, ring	Transfiguration, etc
Blessing Provided	famine	Life given; eternal life
Presumed Dead	Pit; bloody clothes, by fam.	Tomb; disciples, authority
Life trajectory	t↓t	↑↓↑
Story	Exile & reconciliation	Reconciling world

Revisiting the Clothes

Transfiguration: Mark 9

"Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

After six days Yeshua took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them.

3 His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.

4 And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Yeshua.

Transfiguration: Mark 9

5 Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.

6For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

7 And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him."

8 And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Yeshua only.

<u>2 Peter 1:16-18</u>

For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Messiah Yeshua in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

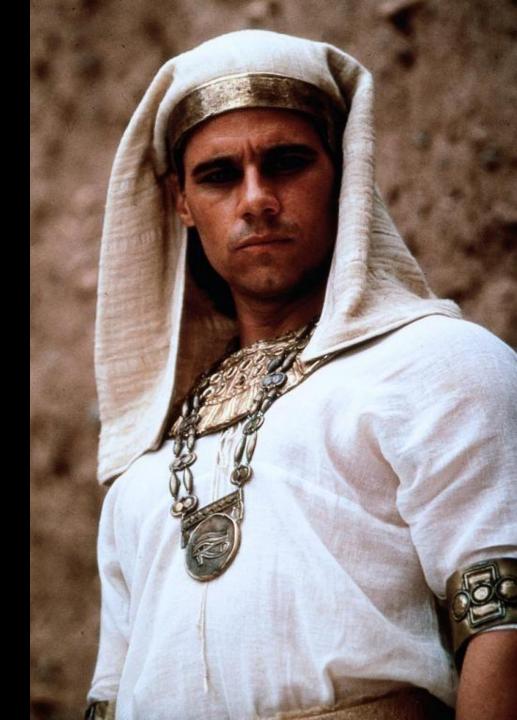
We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

Moses & Yeshua

- Mountain -Meeting between human and divine
- •"visual change"
- •Authority
- Voice of the Father

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Clothing in Revelation 7:9, 14

9 there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.

14 they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation & Isaiah 1

18 "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." Zion will be delivered with justice, her penitent ones with righteousness.28 But rebels and sinners will both be broken, and those who forsake the Lord will perish.

1 Corinthians 15

51 We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed 52 in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. 53 For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. 54 When the perishable has been <u>clothed with the imperishable</u>, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

<u>1 Corinthians 15 – Messiah's victory over sin and death</u>

55 "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

56 The sting of death is sin, and sin's power is the Torah. 57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Yeshua the Messiah.