

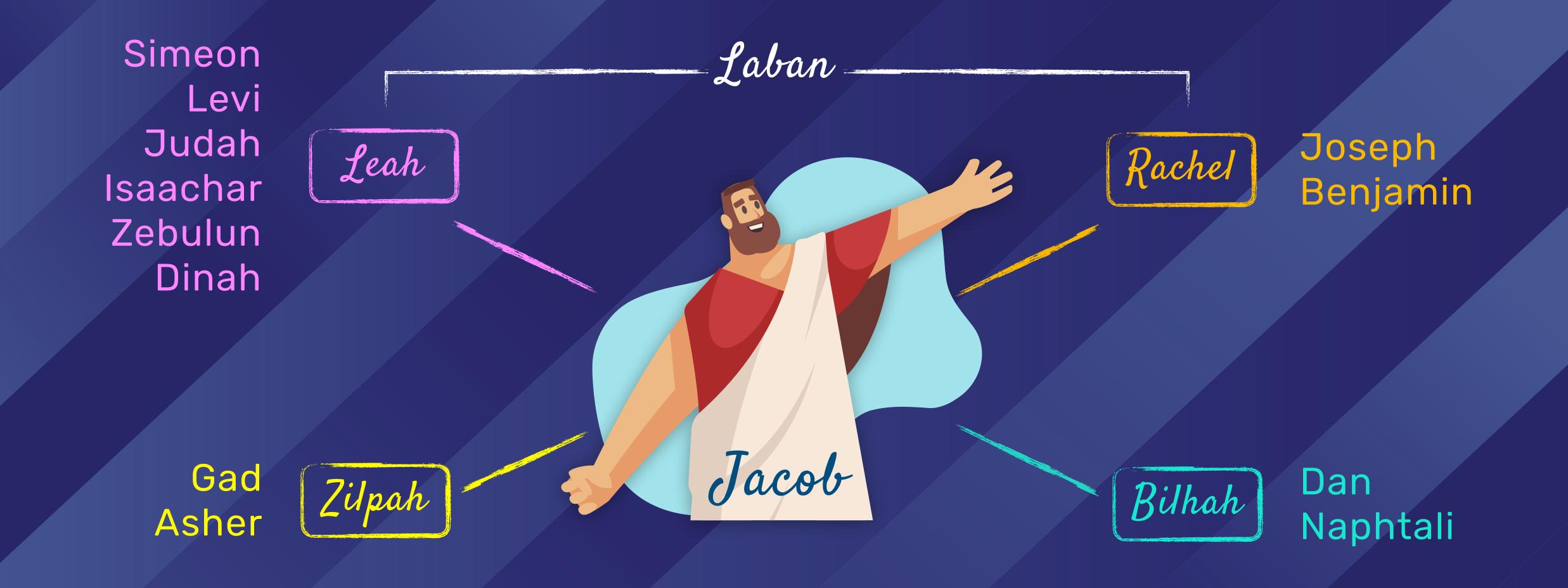


STRUCTURE

- 1. Summary and Highlights of Joseph's Life
- 2. God's Programme for Joseph
- 3. Parallel with Jesus?
- 4. Outcomes













Joseph is born



Given a coat



Dream of sheath



Dream of sun, moon, and stars



Potiphar's household



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Sold to slave traders for 20 pieces of silver

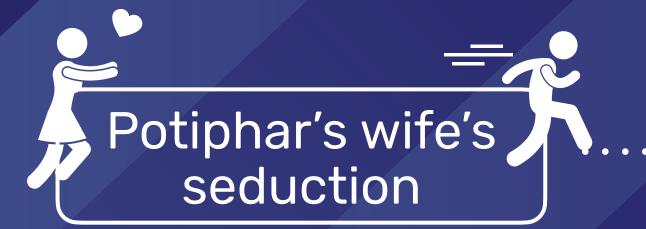


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Thrown into cistern



Goes to visit his brothers in the field





Thrown into prison



Cupbearer's dream



Pharaoh's dream







Meets brothers who come to buy grain



Put in charge of Egypt



Speaking among themselves, they said, "Clearly we are being punished because of what we did to Joseph long ago. We saw his anguish when he pleaded for his life, but we wouldn't listen. That's why we're in this trouble." 22 "Didn't I tell you not to sin against the boy," Reuben asked. "But you wouldn't listen. And now we have to answer for his blood!" 23 Of course they didn't know that Joseph understood them for he had been speaking to them through an interpreter. 24 Now he turned away from them and began to weep."

> GENESIS 42:21-24 New Living Translation





GENESIS 43:30, 45:2, 45:5, 45:8, 50:17-20







GOD'S PROGRAMME FOR JOSEPH

- 1. Dysfunction in family
- 2. No recognition by loved ones of destiny / gifts
- 3. Rejection
- 4. Betrayal
- 5. Falsely accused
- 6. Forgotten / forsaken

PARALLEL WITH CHRIST



- 1. Unrecognised by own brothers and family (John 7:3-5; Mark 3:20)
- 2. Unrecognised in hometown
- 3. Unrecognised by religious leaders (Luke 12:24; Mark 3:22)
- 4. Enquiry by John the Baptist (Luke 7:19)
- 5. Betrayed by Judas (Matthew 26-27)
- 6. Falsely accused (Matthew 26)
- 7. Rejected by crowd (Matthew 27:21)
- 8. Last cry of being forsaken (Matthew 27:46)



OUTCOMES IN JOSEPH'S LIFE

1. Striking exemplariness

- a. Purity
- b. Resilience
- c. A Tender Heart







OUTCOMES IN JOSEPH'S LIFE

2. Blessing mixed with adversities

- a. God was with Joseph
- b. Joseph was fruitful





MORAL OF THE STORY?

PERSEVERE and you'll be promoted?

DO RIGHT in trial after trial?

HOLD ON TO YOUR DREAMS and they'll come true?

We'll understand our lives through God's eyes, and our lives will COUNT FOR ETERNITY!







OUTCOMES IN JOSEPH'S LIFE

3. A life of eternal significance

We'll understand our lives through God's eyes, and our lives will **COUNT FOR ETERNITY!**





GOD'S PROVIDENCE THROUGHOUT

GOD'S ENCOURAGEMENT ALONG THE WAY

GOD USING TRIALS TO TEST AND PREPARE

JOSEPH NEVER LOST THE PLOT!



