

Genesis 46:1-7

Beersheba

- 21:31 – Treaty
- 22:19 – Residence
- 26:17-22 – Wells/Quarrels

Relinquish Blessing

And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. – Matthew 19:29

24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. [...]

[...] 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

– John 12:24-26

Disaster by Design

12 As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold, dreadful and great darkness fell upon him. 13 Then the Lord said to Abram, “Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. [...]

[...] 14 But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. 15 As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. 16 And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”

– Genesis 15:12-16

Genesis 46:28-34

[...] every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians.”

– Genesis 46:34

Abomination [NW1828]: 1. Extreme hatred; detestation. 2. The object of detestation, a common signification in scripture. 3. Hence, defilement, pollution, in a physical sense, or evil doctrines and practices, which are moral defilements, idols and idolatry, are called abominations.

Relinquish Reputation

18 “If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. 19 If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. 20 Remember the word that I said to you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ [...] If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. 21 But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

– John 15:18-21

11 “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

– Matthew 5:11-12

12 Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. [...] 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. 15 ***But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler.*** 16 Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.

– 1 Peter 4:12-16