## Handout 1: Genesis Lesson 19

Judah as a "type" of Christ

Judah son of Jacob	Jesus Son of God	
Sent by his father to save his family	Sent by His Father to save the human family.	
He willingly offered his life to free his brother from slavery and to restore him to their family.	He willingly offered His life to redeem His "brothers" in the human family and to free them from slavery to sin.	
His self-sacrificial act led to the reconciliation of his family, healing the breach caused by the sin against Joseph.	His self-sacrificial death on the Cross healed the breach sin caused between man and God.	
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## **Jacob's Family**

Genesis 46:8-15: Jacob's (1) Descendants by Leah (bold = sons)

Reuben (2)	Simeon (7)	<b>Levi</b> (14)	<b>Judah</b> (18)	Issachar	Zebulun
				(24)	(29)
Hanoch (3)	Jemuel (8)	Gershon (15)	Er *	Tola (25)	Sered (30)
Palla (4)	Jamin (9)	Kohath (16)	Onan *	Puvah (26)	Elon (31)
Hezron (5)	Ohad (10)	Merai (17)	Shelah (19)	Jashub (27)	Jahleel (32)
Carmi (6)	Jachin (11)		Perez (20) Sons = Hezron (21) Hamul (22)	Shimron (28)	
	Zohar (12)		Zerah (23)		
	Shaul (13)		*not counted because they died before leaving Canaan		

Dinah = daughter (33)

These were the sons that Leah had born Jacob...in all his sons and daughters numbered thirty-three.

Genesis 46:16-18: Jacob's Descendants by Zilpah (bold = sons)

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<b>Gad</b> (1)	Asher (9)	
Ziphion (2)	Jimnah (10)	
Haggi (3)	Jishvah (11)	
Shuni (4)	Jishvi (12)	
Ezbon (5)	Beriah (13)	
	Sons of Beriah:	
	Beber (14) and Malchiel (15)	
Eri (6)	Serah = sister (16)*	
Arodi (7)		
Areli (8)		

<sup>\*</sup> granddaughter of Jacob fathered by Asher; see Num 26:46; 1 Chr 7:30 ...she bore these to Jacob—sixteen persons.

Genesis 46:19-22: Descendants of Jacob by Rachel (bold = sons)

Joseph (1)	Benjamin (2)	
Manasseh (3)	Bela (5)	Becher (6)
Ephraim (4)	Ashbel (7)	Gera (8)
	Naaman (9)	Ehi (10)
	Rosh (11)	Muppim (12)
	Huppim (13)	Ard (14)

<sup>...</sup>These were the sons that Rachel bore to Jacob—fourteen persons in all.

Genesis 46:23-25: Jacob's Descendants by Bilhah (bold = sons)

<b>Dan</b> (1)	Naphtali (3)
Hushim (2)	Jahzeel (4)
	Guni (5)
	Jezer (6)
	Shillem (7)

...she bore these to Jacob—seven persons in all.

33 (Leah) + 16 (Zilpah) + 14 (Rachel) + 7 (Bilhah) = 70

Genesis 46:27: the number of Jacob's family who went to Egypt totaled seventy.

Joseph's agrarian policy that led to the enslavement the Egyptians:

- 1. First, they paid for grain with money until their money was gone; their money went into Pharaoh's treasury.
- 2. Next, they paid for grain with their livestock, until all their livestock belonged to Pharaoh.
- 3. Then the common people paid for grain by selling their land, with private land ownership coming to an end in Egypt. This reduced the common Egyptian to the condition of serfs working on the land that no longer belonged to them but to Pharaoh.

The announcement of Joseph's policy is presented in three parts:

- 1. Joseph will give the people seed at 20 percent interest (47:22-24)
- 2. The people gratefully accept their bondage (47:25).
- 3. The narrator provides the information that the 20 percent royal land use tax continues and is in effect at the time the narration was written.

Private land ownership was only left to the Egyptian priests and the Israelites.

**Genesis 47:28:** *Jacob lived seventeen years in Egypt; thus Jacob's total age came to a hundred and forty-seven years.* 

It is interesting to note the factorization of the life spans of the patriarchs follows a pattern. Each squared number increases by one each time while the coefficient decreases by two:

• Abraham:  $175 = 5 \times 5 \times 7$ 

• Isaac:  $180 = 6 \times 6 \times 5$ 

• Jacob:  $147 = 7 \times 7 \times 3$ 

What is the sum of each of the factors in the patterns of the life spans of the Patriarchs?

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