

## Genesis 48

### **I. Joseph visits Israel. Vs. 1-7**

- A. Israel is sick. Vs. 1**
- B. Joseph takes Manasseh and Ephraim and visit Israel. Vs. 1-2**
- C. Israel assures Joseph of God's promise. Vs. 3-4**
- D. Israel now considers Ephraim and Manasseh as his two sons, equal with Reuben, Simeon and the other brothers. Vs. 5-6**
- E. Israel tells Joseph that Rachel, his mother, died and was buried in Bethlehem. Vs. 7**

### **II. Israel blesses Ephraim and Manasseh. Vs. 8-22**

- A. Joseph brings Ephraim and Manasseh before Israel for his blessings. Vs. 8-12**
- B. Joseph sets Ephraim on the left side of Israel, so that Israel might put his left hand on Ephraim, since he is the youngest. Vs. 13**
- C. Joseph sets Manasseh on the right side of Israel, so that Israel might put his right hand on Manasseh, since he is the oldest. Vs. 13**
- D. Israel put his right hand on Ephraim and his left hand on Manasseh. Vs. 14**
- E. Israel starts to bless the boys. Vs. 15-16**
- F. Joseph tries to get Israel to change hands, but Israel refuses. Vs. 17-19**
- G. Both boys will be blessed, but Ephraim will be greater than Manasseh. Vs. 19-20**
- H. Israel told Joseph that God would take him back to the land of his fathers. Vs. 21**
- I. Joseph would receive a double portion. Vs. 22**