



Joseph: experiencing
the God who rescues

24th November 2019
**The promise vs
Egypt**
Genesis 47&48

● **What-centred?**

● **The promise (48v3-4)**

- ⇒ **God will**
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● **Settle for the best? (47v1-12)**

●Egyptians: how to become slaves...(47v13-26)

●A place for prospering people (47v27-48v7)

●God's open arms (48v8-22)

●Facets of promise

● **Christians: this is our story—(Galatians 3v26-29)**

● **We are brought near & full of home—(Ephesians 2v11-13)**

● **We are confident children—(Romans 9v5-9)**

● **We are heading for a heavenly place—(Hebrews 11v8-16)**

After the service, ask someone...

What have you learnt from today?

What can I pray for you?

Growth group questions



You will find it helpful to have heard the talk so why not listen at <http://leightonbaptists.org.uk/media-links/current-teaching/>

Some of these questions are personal and others are more general. Feel free to pick and choose which questions your group will find most helpful.

1. Was there anything new in this bible passage or talk? What struck you most?
2. *'The covenant God made with his people is achieved as the gospel rescues individuals.'* Had you ever seen this truth before? Does it change your view of God, the Bible and the gospel?
3. Compare what happens to the Egyptians and the Hebrews in v13-26. Why does Moses (who writes this) make this contrast so clearly?
4. Read 47v27-48v4, Remind yourselves of everything that has happened to Jacob and his family up to this point. As a group write words you could use to describe the way God has fulfilled v4-5 in Jacob's life. Choose 3 words and reflect on how God is these things to us, today.
5. Why does the way Jacob deals with Ephraim and Manasseh give us real hope?
6. Read Galatians 3v26-29, Ephesians 2v12-13 and Romans 9v5-9 out loud. Answer the question—'I am a child of the promise because...'

Reflect on your answers to questions 4 and 6. Do they make you think of a favourite worship song you might find on Youtube and play. Pray these things for one another.