

Joseph: experiencing
the God who rescues

1st December 2019
The obedient son
God sent to save
Genesis 49&50

- **Shadows and Echoes**
- **The end of the beginning**
- **Bespoke blessings (49v1-28)**
- **Judah—the son of promise (v8-12)**

●Joseph—the prince among brothers (v22-26)

●The death of Jacob (49v29-50v3)

●Echoes of an exodus (Genesis 50v4-14)

● **Shadows of guilt (Genesis 50v15-18)**

● **Echoes of a Saviour (Genesis 50v19-21)**

● **Echoing the promise (Genesis 50v22-26)**

● **Has God spoken?**

After the service, ask someone...

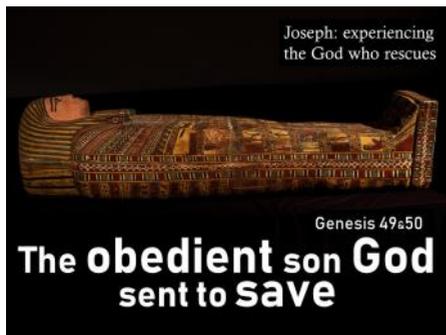
What have you learnt from today?

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. Read 49v8-12. Remember Judah from chapters 37-42. What is most surprising in 49v8-12? What does this tell us about God?
 2. Read 49v22-26. Which parts of Joseph's story are encapsulated in these verses?
 3. How should the other brothers feel about their 'lot' and blessing? Why?
 4. Compare and contrast what you know about the 'Exodus' (Exodus 5-14, especially chapter 12) with how Moses is recording 49-29-50v22). How do you think Moses' experience shapes the way he writes these chapters. Why do you think he does this?
 5. Compare and contrast what you know of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the hope of heaven with what you see in these verses. Do you think we are 'reading into it' by connecting the two. Why/why not?
 6. Look at v15-21. Why is forgiveness such a challenge and yet so important? What practical difference should it make to be forgiven by God? By others?
 7. What is the 'Has God spoken' challenge for you from the story of the birth of Israel in Genesis 37-50? What is the think that has struck you the most? How can others pray these things for you over the coming days?
- Pray these things for one another and thank God for revealing himself to us today in words written thousands of years ago.**