

RECONCILIATION AND REVIVAL
(Genesis 45:1-28)

- I. Joseph's REVELATION of His IDENTITY (Gen. 45:1-3)
 - A. He was OVERCOME by Judah's SELFLESS offer (cf. 42:32-34)
 - B. He ordered everyone but his BROTHERS to LEAVE
 - C. He TOLD his brothers WHO HE WAS
 - 1. He WEPT so loudly that the EGYPTIANS HEARD
 - 2. His brothers were TERRIFIED

- II. Joseph's RESTORATION of His BROTHERS (Gen. 45:4-15)
 - A. He explained events from GOD'S PERSPECTIVE (45:4-8)
 - 1. GOD had SENT him to Egypt
 - 2. GOD had PRESERVED him in Egypt
 - 3. GOD had EXALTED him in Egypt
 - 4. GOD had PREPARED him to DELIVER both EGYPT and ISRAEL
 - B. He invited them to MOVE to Egypt (45:9-15)
 - 1. Jacob needed to KNOW his SON was ALIVE
 - 2. Jacob needed to BRING the FAMILY to EGYPT
 - a. To be NEAR JOSEPH
 - b. To SURVIVE the YEARS of FAMINE yet to come

3. Their FELLOWSHIP was RESTORED

III. Joseph's RECLAMATION OF His HERITAGE (Gen. 45:16-28)

A. Pharaoh HONORED Joseph's FAMILY (45:16-20)

1. He ordered them to COME to EGYPT
2. He promised them the "FAT of the LAND"
3. He provided WAGONS for their TRANSPORTATION
4. He promised GOODS for their HOUSEHOLDS

B. Joseph PROVIDED for their MOVE (45:21-24)

1. He gave them PROVISION for the JOURNEY
2. He gave SPECIAL GIFTS for EACH
3. He admonished them not to QUARREL on the WAY

C. The brothers CONFESSED to their FATHER (45:25-28)

1. They told him Joseph was ALIVE and RULING EGYPT, and he responded with STUNNED UNBELIEF
2. They told him "ALL the WORDS of JOSEPH," and his SPIRIT REVIVED
3. Then he BELIEVED and agreed to GO