

GOD'S PROVISION FOR HIS PEOPLE  
(Genesis 46:1-34)

- I. The PROGRESS to Egypt (Gen. 46:1-7)
  - A. STARTING to MOVE (46:1a)
    - 1. Moving at the INVITATION of JOSEPH
    - 2. Moving with the ENCOURAGEMENT of his SONS
    - 3. Has never made an IMPORTANT move without GOD first SPEAKING to him (28:13-15; 31:3; 35:1-12)
  - B. STOPPING at BEERSHEBA (46:1b-4)
    - 1. Where God CONFIRMED the covenant to ISAAC (26:23-25)
    - 2. Where God PROMISED to bring JACOB in SAFETY (28:21; 31:3)
    - 3. Where God AUTHORIZED their MOVE to EGYPT
  - C. SUBMITTING to GOD (46:5-7)
    - 1. DEPARTED without HESITATION
    - 2. Took along his FAMILY and POSSESSIONS
- II. The PEOPLE of Israel (Gen. 46:8-27)
  - A. The family of LEAH (46:8-15)
    - 1. REUBEN, with FOUR sons
    - 2. SIMEON, with SIX sons
    - 3. LEVI, with THREE sons
    - 4. JUDAH, with FIVE sons and TWO grandsons

5. ISSACHAR, with FOUR sons
  6. ZEBULUN, with THREE sons
- B. The family of ZILPAH (46:16-18)
1. GAD, with SEVEN sons
  2. ASHUR, with FOUR sons, TWO grandsons, and ONE daughter
- C. The family of RACHEL, designated "JACOB'S WIFE" (46:19-22)
1. JOSEPH, with TWO sons: already in EGYPT
  2. BENJAMIN, with TEN sons
- D. The family of BILHAH (46:23-25)
1. DAN, with ONE son
  2. NAPHTALI, with FOUR sons
- E. The summary: SEVENTY "souls" to establish the NATION (46:27-28)
- III. The PROVISION of a Place (Gen. 46:31-34)
- A. Their ARRIVAL in Egypt (46:28-30)
1. Sent JUDAH to ANNOUNCE their arrival
  2. Expressed JOY at REUNION with JOSEPH
- B. Their ACCEPTANCE in Egypt (46:31-34)
1. Goshen SELECTED by JOSEPH
    - a. IMMEDIATE advantages: extremely FERTILE, mostly UNSETTLED, proximate to CANAAN
    - b. LONG RANGE advantages: benefit of CONTACT with advanced CIVILIZATION, with minimal danger of ASSIMILATION
  2. Goshen APPROVED by PHARAOH