

## Sunday School Lesson

### JOSEPH'S KINDNESS TO HIS KINDRED

Printed Text — Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30; 50: 24-26.  
Golden Text — "Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, even as God also in Christ forgave."—Ephesians 4:32

**THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING**  
TIME — According to the common chronology, Jacob went down with his family into Egypt B.C. 1715; he died B.C. 1698. Joseph died B.C. 1643.

Place — Joseph's residence in Egypt was at Zoan, the capital of the kingdom at that time, located on the eastern part of the Nile Delta. The Hebrew people settled in the land of Goshen in the eastern part of the Delta. Hebron is nineteen miles to the southwest of Jerusalem.

"And Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and offered sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac." Israel, who is, as we have seen before, the same as Jacob, knew that he and his entire family, the chosen people of God, were on the threshold of a great experience, were at a turning-point in their history, and coming to know through his long years of experience, that great ventures undertaken without God are doomed to failure, tarries at Beer-Sheba on his way down into Egypt, to offer sacrifice to God. (See 21:33; 26:24; 28:10).

"And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here am I." 3. "And he said, I am God, the God of thy father; fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation." 4. "I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up again; and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes." Here is the fulfillment of the oft-repeated promise—"They that seek Jehovah shall not want any good thing" (Psalm 34:10). Four things are promised—God's promise to go down into Egypt; God's presence as they go into Egypt; God's promise to make of them in Egypt a great nation, and God's purpose to bring them back again to Canaan. And probably God's assurance that Jacob's descendants would come back to Canaan in the future was the most reassuring of all God's gracious promises to Jacob this day.

"And Jacob rose up from Beer-Sheba, and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. And they took their cattle and their goods which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came in-

to Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him, his sons, and sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt." The wagons which Joseph sent were certainly four-wheeled conveyances. In such wagons, drawn by oxen, did the women and children of the patriarchal family travel. The cattle were driven and the rest of the goods packed upon asses and camels.—F. Deltzsch.

While the carefully enumerated list of names of those who went down into Egypt is important in a minute discussion of Hebrew history—we do not need here spend but a moment with-it. We must not identify this list with another contained in Numbers 26, written two hundred and fifty years later. Jacob, himself, at this time, was one hundred and thirty years old (47: 9), and Joseph approximately forty years old, while Reuben, the oldest, was about forty-six, and Benjamin, the youngest, about twenty-six. The sons of Leah are first enumerated in 9-15 then the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid (16:18); then the sons of Rachel, who alone is here called the wife of Jacob (19-22), and finally, the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid (23-35.) All the souls that went with Jacob into Egypt that came out of his loins were eleven sons, one daughter, fifty grandchildren, and four great grandsons; in all, sixty-six. Jacob, Joseph, and his two sons are four, and thus all the souls belonging to the family of Jacob which went into the valley of Egypt were seventy. The Septuagint gives seventy-five as the sum total, which is made out of inserting five names not found in this list.

"And he sent Judah before him up to Joseph, to show the way before him unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen." Joseph had previously promised his brethren that they should dwell in the land of Goshen (45-10), and the region in Lower Egypt east of the Bubastic branch of the Nile, a region not of any great extent, having an area of approximately nine hundred square miles, but exceedingly fertile, and which allowed the Israelites more or less of a life of separation from the contaminating influences of great Egyptian cities.

"And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel, his father, to Goshen; and he presented himself unto him, and fell on his neck and wept on his neck a good while. And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, that thou art yet alive." The meaning of the patriarch is that since with his own eyes he was now

## REDUCED TEACHERS' SALARIES HAVE NOT HELPED

Judging from recent pronouncements of officials of the Ontario Department of Education, rural schools have not been helped by the action of many rural school boards which took advantage of the recent over-supply of teachers, to hire young teachers at a mere pittance. It became the duty of the Department to sound a warning in this direction to the effect that grants would be cut if ascertain was not maintained, and while this has done a lot of good results of the salary curtailment policy are becoming evident.

Here is what the St. Mary's Journal-Argus has to say on the subject: "Rural schools have not been helped by the action of the many rural trustees who took advantage of the over-supply of teachers to hire young teachers at a mere pittance. The result has been the driving out of many young folks to seek more remunerative work of another kind and the students now coming along, are turning their attention to other lines of work. Attendance at the O.C. E. is less than one half of what it was four years ago and at the Normal Schools even lower. A shortage of teachers is predicted in the near future and it is prophesied by those who should know, that many rural schools will be paying 'through the nose'."

assured of Joseph's happiness, he had nothing more to live for, the last earthly longing of his heart having been completely satisfied and was perfectly prepared for the last scene of all, ready, whenever God willed, to be called by his fathers.

"And Joseph said unto his brethren I die; but God will surely visit you. I bring you up out of this land unto the land which he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry my bones hence." Through all the terrible bondage they were destined to suffer, the bones of Joseph, or rather, his embalmed body, stood as the most eloquent advocate of God's faithfulness, ceaselessly reminding the despondent generations of the oath which God would yet enable them to fulfill.

"So Joseph died, being a hundred and ten years old; and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt." The book opens with life; it ends with death, because in between had come sin which brings forth the death. And yet that coffin spoke of life as well as death. It was a symbol of hope, a message of patience, and a guarantee of life everlasting.

## JUDGE CHARLES WIDDIFIELD DIES IN HIS 79th YEAR

Formerly on York County Bench—Transferred From Owen Sound

Charles Howard Widdifield, York County judge from 1913 to 1934 and a frequent visitor in Stouffville, died on Thursday at his home 90 Admiral Road, Toronto, in his 79th year.

Born in Uxbridge, he was called to the bar in 1881, practising in Picton until 1905, when he became judge of Grey county. He was transferred to the York county bench in 1918, retiring three years ago.

His widow, two sons, Ven. Archdeacon J. G. Widdifield of Detroit, and C. R. Widdifield, Galt, and two daughters, Mrs. Hugh S. Roney, Pittsfield, Mass., and Mrs. Sherk, Indianapolis, survive, and one sister (Mrs. Frank Saugster, Stouffville).

Educated at Uxbridge high school and Upper Canada College, Judge Widdifield later read law with Hon. H. M. Howell. He served on Picton town council and public and high school boards, and from 1894 to 1905, was master of the high court there.

He wrote several books on various phases of law, including "Widdifield on Costs," "Words and Terms Judicially Defined," "Executors' Accounts," "Surrogate Practice," and "Motor Vehicle Law." An Angli-can, he was a member of the Toronto club and of the Canada Lawn Bowling club.

### ERRORS IN PRINT

A few more typesetting errors have come to our attention, says an Exchange. They're interesting and funny. There is the famous misprint occurring when "The President of the United States took his bath, surrounded by the Cabinet and a few distinguished citizens." "Oath," of course was the word intended instead of bath. A description of another important occasion—told of a "bride surrounded by tight bridesmaids." There were eight bridesmaids, if that is any clue. But the most amusing trick with type is provided by the printer who set up "distinguished for her charity," and altered the vital word to "chastity." A proof-reader noticed the error and marked it with a query, but it escaped the final checking and appeared in the newspaper: "Mrs.—, who is distinguished for her chastity (?)."

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## TORONTO FLASHES

Mr. and Mrs. George Lee visited Goodwood on Sunday. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Wagg in the birth of a son. The best of health to all.

Time passes on and one more well known person has answered the call. John Murdoch has passed away at Siloam in his 71st year. Service at Siloam United Church and buried in our Goodwood Cemetery. Well we remember him years ago by.

Twenty five years ago this June many of us attended the Howe Circus at Uxbridge.

This is a time when speed counts and now we hear our friend at Siloam Mr. Dean Alcock has sold his horse and is running a car. Probably he will be visiting Toronto in the near future.

The fast travelling trains passing through Goodwood demands that the C.N.R. have more ballast to hold the track in place. Well with the Re Union coming on Civic Holiday here's hoping something is put on the Stouffville road or someone will be losing their false teeth.

We hear that the flower beds have been looked after at the cemetery and plants put in. These beds each year help make our cemetery a place of beauty.

One of the busy spots in the old village last Tuesday evening was the gas station at John Rae's. When the Scribe drove up no less than four cars were in the line up.

Talking of the home village and the Township Council. A lady last week asked the Scribe who were the members on the council and their names. Well, after giving forth the information only two of the officials could she remember well. One was Clerk Roach and the other fellow well, most everyone knows him, Frederick Middleton. The lady, well, she is still single. How they all remember Fred!

An enquirer asker us the other day who the Town Constable was. The Scribe could not answer this question. No doubt this person may have the chance of meeting the Constable at the Re Union & Sports Day. By the way send in the names and addresses of Goodwood friends who now live away from the home village.

An old Goodwood Boy paid the Scribe the money for his subscription to The Tribune last week. The Scribe wanted to write out a receipt for our friend. He said not to bother as every Thursday morning his paper arrived and the little sticker recorded the date. Well the Editor has sent him his receipt and subscription card. To the oldest Goodwood old boy and old girl in the park grounds, a gift will be made. By the way in this case the lady and gent must have been born in the village and attended the village school. The scribe was asked to define the boundary lines so, the line on the north point is the public school. The south point, the Whittleton home south of George Stewart's the west point the sore west of Howard Harper's home, the east point or line the former John Todd home and Stafford farm home-stead. So now friends get your memory working and be present to see in person the winners of those prizes. To those folks who can help the sports committee to have a good supply of prizes for their sports. Just communicate with our friend Jack Rae, chairman of the sports

Numerous gifts and prizes have already been offered the officials in charge of Goodwood Old Boys and Girls Re Union from this end, so the huskies at Goodwood had better pitch in. To the oldest Goodwood old boy and old girl in the park grounds, a gift will be made. By the way in this case the lady and gent must have been born in the village and attended the village school. The scribe was asked to define the boundary lines so, the line on the north point is the public school. The south point, the Whittleton home south of George Stewart's the west point the sore west of Howard Harper's home, the east point or line the former John Todd home and Stafford farm home-stead. So now friends get your memory working and be present to see in person the winners of those prizes. To those folks who can help the sports committee to have a good supply of prizes for their sports. Just communicate with our friend Jack Rae, chairman of the sports

Work on the paving of the six miles between Atherly and Upergrove on the Orilla to Beaverton highway has been commenced. The project is proceeding from the Upergrove end towards Orilla. The highway has not been closed.

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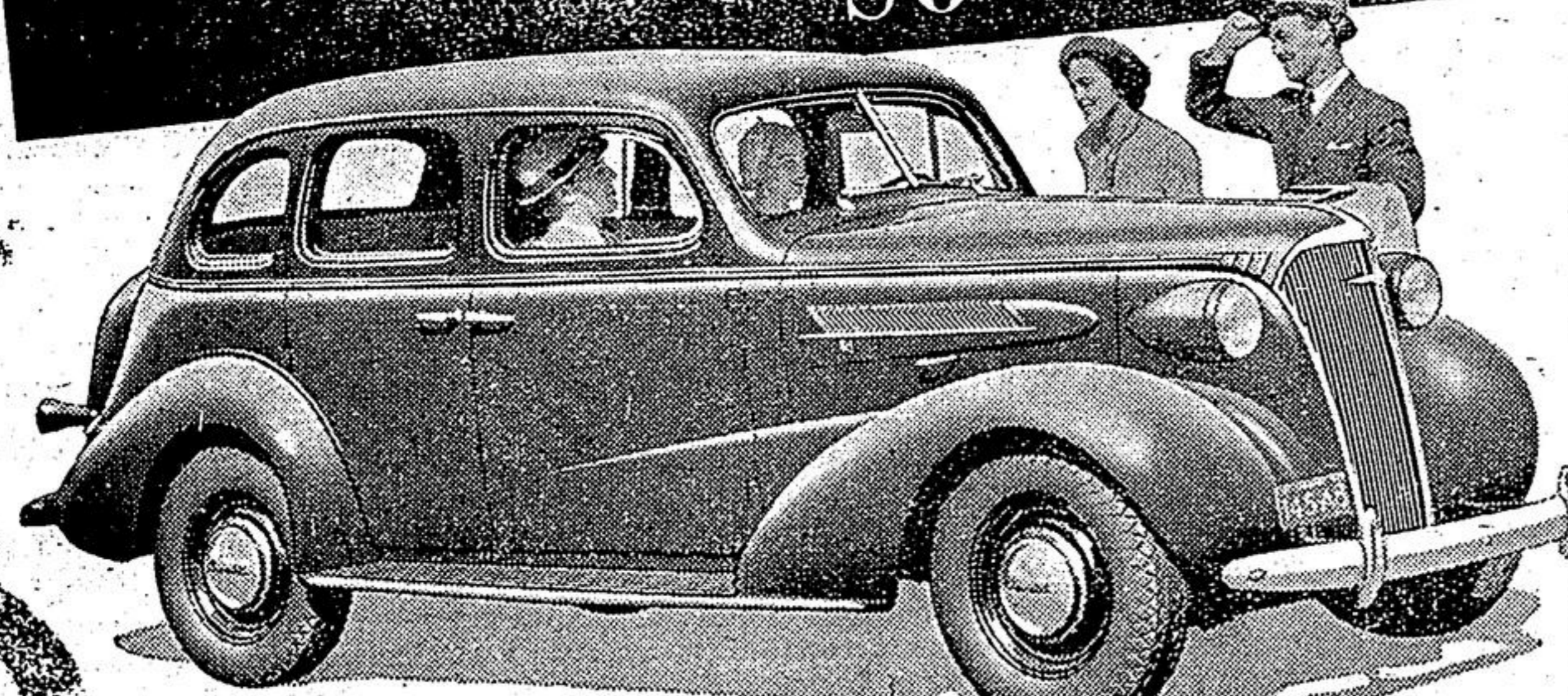
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