

SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES

"Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." John 5:39

GENESIS

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GENESIS 1

1. What would be a good word to describe the book of Genesis?

2. What fact is settled concerning creation? (v. 1)

3. What is the firmament?

4. What did God create on each of the days of His creative works?

5. What two truths are found in verse 26?
Explain.
A.

B.

6. What does it mean that man is created in God's image?

7. What truth is found in verse 31 concerning God's creation?

GENESIS 2

1. What did God do in regard to the seventh day? (v. 1-3)

2. Describe God's creation of man. (v. 2-7)

3. Where did God plant the first garden? (v.8)

4. Describe the various trees in the garden and what each means. (v. 9)

5. Name the four heads of the river that came out of Eden. (v. 10-14)

6. What did God command man to do and what were the results if he disobeyed? (v. 15-17)

7. Describe God's creation of woman. (v. 21-22)

8. What do you learn from verse 24?

GENESIS 3

1. What was Satan doing through the serpent when he said, "Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?"

2. What was Satan doing when he said, "Ye shall not surely die."? (v. 4)

3. Describe the woman's fall to the serpent's temptation. (v. 6)

4. What does Adam's sewing fig leaves together say about man's actions? (v. 8)

5. What do you learn from God's call to Adam? (v. 9)

6. What were the punishments upon each of those involved in the fall of man? (v. 14-19)
The serpent:
The woman:
The man:

7. What did God do for man and what was it a type of? (v. 21)

8. Why did God drive man out of the garden of Eden? (v. 22-24)

GENESIS 4

1. Who was the first child born in the human race? Who was the second?
(v. 1-2)

2. Discuss the offerings of Cain and Abel and the results? (v. 3-7)

3. What does this teach us about our worship of God?

4. What was Cain's sad act? (v. 8)

5. How did God protect Cain? Discuss the mark. (v. 15)

6. Who built the first city and what was the name of it? (v. 16-17)

7. What did Lamech do and he was the first one to do this? (v. 19)

8. What was Jubal known for? (v. 20-21)

9. Who was the third son born to Adam and Eve? (v. 29)

GENESIS 5

1. What is proven in verse 4?
2. What great truth do we learn about Enoch? (v. 22-24)
3. Methuselah lived how long, making him what? (v. 27)
4. Who was Noah's father? (v. 28-29)
36. Name Noah's sons. (v. 32)

GENESIS 6

1. What is God's warning in verse 3?
2. What shows the sinfulness of man in verse 5?
3. What do we learn about Noah's life from verses 8 and 9?
4. Find the details about the ark in verses 14-16.
5. How did God determine to destroy the earth? (v. 17)

GENESIS 7

1. What is the key word for Noah being saved? (v. 1)
2. What challenge is found in verse 1?
3. Why was there a difference in the number of clean and unclean fowls in the ark? (v. 2-3)
4. How old was Noah when he went into the ark? (v. 11)
5. What special lesson do we learn from verse 23?

GENESIS 8

1. What comforting truth do we find in verse 1?
2. Upon what mountain did the ark rest? (v. 4)
3. What kind of birds were the two sent from the ark? (v. 9-10)
4. What instructions were given to Noah? (v. 15-17)
5. What did Noah do and what does it say for Noah in verse 21?
6. What were God's promises in verses 21 and 22?

GENESIS 9

1. Which part of the animal was man commanded not to eat? (v.4)
(Compare Lev. 17:11)

2. Discuss capital punishment in verses 5 and 6.

3. What took place between God and Noah? (v. 8-11)

4. What significance does the rainbow have? (v. 12-17)

5. Who was Canaan's father? (v. 18)

6. What sad even in Noah's life is recorded in verses 20 and 21?

7. What is the sin committed by Ham? (v. 22)

8. What was the curse upon Ham for his sin?

9. Upon whom did the curse fall? (v. 24-27)

10. How old was Noah at his death? (v. 29)

GENESIS 10

1. Describe Nimrod. (v. 8-9)
2. What city did Nimrod build? (v. 10)
3. What truth do we learn from verse 32?

GENESIS 11

1. What is learned from verse 1?
2. What reasons did the people have for building a city? (v. 4-6)
3. How and why did the Lord scatter the people? (v. 7-9)
4. Who was Terah's famous son? (v. 22-26)
5. Who was Lot's father? (v. 27)
6. Who were Abram's and Nahor's wives? (v. 28-29)

GENESIS 12

1. Where did the Lord tell Abram to go?

2. What did God promise Abram?
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - 3)
 - 4)
 - 5)
 - 6)

3. How old was Abram when he left his family? (v. 4)

4. What country was Abram from?

5. What three points do we learn from verse 7?

6. What is significant about Bethel? (v. 8)

7. What does Bethel mean?

8. What other Old Testament character do you associate with Bethel?

9. What did Abram do because of the famine? (v. 10)

10. What is sad in verses 11-13?

11. What happened because of Abram's actions? (v. 14-20)

12. How did Abram benefit? (v. 16-20)

GENESIS 13

1. Describe Abram's condition and position now? (v. 1-4)

2. What brought about the dispute between Abram and Lot? (v. 5-7)

3. What was Abram's argument for not striving?

4. What quality does Abram manifest?

5. What does Lot choose and why? (v. 10-11)

6. Describe the men of Sodom? (v. 12-13)

7. Find facts relating to Abram in verses 14-18.

8. How many altars does Abram have now? Where?

GENESIS 14

1. What happened to Lot? (v. 1)
2. What does Abram now do? (v. 13-16)
3. Who was Melchizedek? (v. 18)
4. What else from the Bible can you find out about Melchizedek?
5. What first mention is found in verse 20?
6. Why wouldn't Abram take from the king of Sodom? (v. 22-24)

GENESIS 15

1. What was Abram's need and desire? (v. 1-4)
2. What truth is found in verse 6?
3. What was the Lord doing for Abram? (v.7-17)
4. What historical event happened that was prophesied in verse 13?
5. Describe the "great substance" in verse 14.

GENESIS 16

1. Who was Sarai's handmaid? (v. 1)

2. What did Sarai suggest to Abram?

3. Who was wrong, Abram or Sarai?

4. What results do you find because of Sarai's suggestion and Abram's actions?

5. What do we find in this passage as a key to Abram's earlier actions?

6. What does the Lord do for Hagar in verse 7?

7. What do the words in verse 12, "and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren" mean to you?

8. Name the well where Hagar and God met in verse 14.

9. How old was Abram when Ishmael was born? (v. 8)

GENESIS 17

1. How old is Abram now? (v. 2)

2. What was God doing concerning Abram at this time? (v.1-8)

3. Why was Abram's name changed in verse 5?

4. What does the word "nation" mean here?

5. Find as many promises as you can that God promised Abram in verses 2-8.

6. What do you consider the greatest of all the promises made to Abram? (v. 7-8)

7. What sign of God's covenant was made in verse 10?

8. At what age was the male child circumcised? (v. 12) (Luke 2:21)

9. What does the name, "Sarah", mean in verse 15?

10. What did God promise Abram and Sarah? (v.16-17)

11. What did it mean that Abram laughed? (v. 17)

12. What was Abraham doing in verse 18?

13. What was the name of the promised son to be? (v. 19)

14. Discuss the difference of God's promises to Isaac and to Ishmael.
(v.19-22)

15. What is the key word for Abram's actions? (v. 23-27)

GENESIS 18

1. What special visitor did Abraham have at this time? (v. 1)

2. What was the promise in verse 10?

3. Why did Sarah laugh? (v. 12)

4. What is important about the question in verse 14?
5. Where were the men going when they visited Abraham? (v. 16)

6. What great truth did God know about Abraham? (v. 19)

7. What was the condition of Sodom? (v. 20)

8. What do we learn about Abraham in verses 23-33?

9. What sad fact does verse 32 convey?

10. What great truth about the Lord do we learn in verse 32?

GENESIS 19

1. Comparing 19:1 (two angels) with 18:2 what do we learn?

2. Who met the angels at the gate to Sodom? (v. 2)

3. What do we learn about the Lord being at the gate in verse 2?

4. What great sin is evident in verses 4-5?

5. What words describe the great sinfulness of the city? (v. 4-5)

6. What do the words "that we may know them" mean in verse 5?

7. What does Lot say in verse 8 that is hard to understand?

8. How do the men show their wickedness? (v. 9-10)

9. How did the angels deal with the men? (v. 11)

10. Why were the angels in Sodom? (v. 12-13)

11. What is sad about "but he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons-in-law" in verse 14?

12. How many people came out of Sodom? (v. 15)

13. Why did Lot linger? (v. 16)
14. What was Lot and his family commanded not to do and to do in verse 17?

15. To what city did Lot flee? (v. 17-22)

16. How did the Lord destroy Sodom? (v. 24)

17. What happened to Mrs. Lot? (v. 26)

18. What important truth is found in verse 29?

19. What sad events went on in verses 30-36?

20. What were the names of the sons born to Lot's daughters?
(v. 37-38)

GENESIS 20

1. What sad fact recurs in Abraham's life in verses 1-3?
2. Why does God again warn about Sarah in verse 3?
3. Who was wrong and who was right in this situation? (v. 1-6)
4. Why did Abraham lie about Sarah? (v. 4)
5. What do we learn about kinship between Abraham and Sarah in verse 12?
6. How were things settled and how do we know they were? (v. 13-16)
7. What happened in verses 17-18? (compare verse 7)

GENESIS 21

1. What great event took place? (v. 1-3)
2. What had God caused Sarah to do? (v. 6-8)
3. What caused Sarah to get angry? (v. 9-11)

4. Where did Hagar and Ishmael go? (v. 12-14)
5. Describe what happened to Hagar and Ishmael. (v. 15-21)
6. With whom did Abraham make a covenant? (v. 22-32)

GENESIS 22

1. What did God command of Abraham? (v. 1-2)
2. Where was the sacrifice to take place? (v. 2)
3. What characteristic of Abraham is evident? (v. 3)
4. What truth is implied in verse 5?
5. What is the importance of Isaac's question? (v. 7)
6. Who is Abraham a type of in verse 9?
7. What did Abraham prove? (v. 12)
8. What does Jehovahjireh mean? (v. 14)
9. Who are Milcah, Nahor and Rebekah? (v. 20-24)

GENESIS 23

1. How old was Sarah? (v. 1)
2. What was the place of Sarah's death? (v. 2)
3. What did Abraham request? (v. 3-8)
4. What was the name of the place requested? (v. 9)
5. How much did Abraham pay for the burial place? (v. 15-16)

GENESIS 24

1. What covenant did Abraham make with his servant? (v. 1-6)
2. What city did the servant go to in seeking a wife for Isaac? (v. 10)
3. What great quality of the servant is seen in verse 12?
4. What was the name of the girl that became Isaac's wife?
5. What did she do? (v. 16-21)

6. What do we learn in verses 26 and 27?
7. What was Rebekah's brother's name? (v. 29)
8. What is important about the servant? (v. 32-39)
9. What was recognized in verse 50?
10. Who was given to the servant for Isaac's bride? (v. 51)
11. What were her actions when she saw Isaac? (v. 64)

GENESIS 25

1. Who was Abraham's second wife? (v. 1)
2. How long did Abraham live? (v. 7)
3. Where was Abraham buried? (v. 9)
4. How many sons did Ishmael have? (v. 13-15)

5. How old was Ishmael at his death? (v. 17)

6. How old was Isaac when he married Rebekah? (v. 20)

7. Name Rebekah's first children. (v. 21-26)

8. Describe Esau. (v. 27)

9. Describe Jacob. (v. 29)

10. What sad thing did Esau do? (v. 29-31)

11. What sad thing did Jacob do? (v. 29-31)

GENESIS 26

1. What test is Isaac confronted with just as his father, Abraham, had been?

2. Why, according to verse 5, was God able to bless Isaac?

3. What sin did Isaac commit just as his father had? (v. 7)

4. Who was Isaac afraid of? (v. 8)

5. What happened to the wells which had been dug by Abraham's servants? And by whom? (v. 14-22)

6. What happened to Isaac and what did he do at Beersheba? (v. 23-25)

7. What did Ahuzzath and Phichol see in Isaac? (v. 26-30)

8. How old was Esau when he married and whom did he marry? (v. 34)

9. How did Esau's parents feel about his marriage and why? (v. 35)

GENESIS 27

1. What did Isaac want Esau, his son, to do, and why? (v. 1-5)

2. What did Rebekah want Jacob to do? (v. 6-10)

3. What did Rebekah want for Jacob? (v. 10)

4. How did Rebekah and Jacob seek to deceive Isaac? (v. 11-17)

5. What is very sad in verses 18-29?

6. Who appears before Isaac now? (v. 30-32)

7. How did Isaac and Esau respond to Jacob's deception? (v. 33-35)

8. What is the significance of Isaac's question, "Is not he rightly named Jacob?" (v. 36)

9. What did Jacob take from Esau? (v. 36)

10. What was a birthright?

11. What was included in Esau's blessing? (v. 38-40)

12. What sad word described Esau's feeling toward his brother? (v. 41)

13. Why was Jacob told to flee to Haran? (v. 41-44)

14. What was Rebekah warned about in verses 45-46?

GENESIS 28

1. What was Isaac's charge to Jacob in verse 1?

2. From whom would Jacob take a wife? (v. 2)

3. Whose wife had come from the same area?

4. What relation was Rebekah to Laban? (v. 5)
5. What special lesson do we learn from Abraham and Isaac not wanting their sons to have Canaanite wives?
6. From whom did Esau take his wives? (v. 9)
7. What happened to Jacob on his way to Haran? (v. 10-15)
8. What is important about the last part of verse 15?
9. What did Jacob recognize about the place where he stayed? (v. 16-17)
10. What did Jacob name the place? (v. 19)
11. What promise did Jacob make to God? (v. 22)

GENESIS 29

1. Who is Laban's daughter? (v. 6)
2. What did Jacob do concerning Rachel's sheep? (v. 9-10)

3. Who were Laban's two daughters? (v. 16-18)
4. What did Jacob want as his wages for serving Laban? (v. 18-20)
5. What did Laban do when he gave his daughter to Jacob? (v. 21-26)
6. How many years did Jacob serve Laban for his daughter?
(v. 18, 27-30)
7. Who was Jacob's first son? (v. 32)
8. Name the 4 sons of Jacob by Leah. (v. 32-35)

GENESIS 30

1. Rachel had sons through whom? (v. 1-5)
2. Name the sons of Bilhah. (v. 6-8)
3. Who were the sons of Zilpah? (v. 9-13)
4. What sons did Leah now have? (v. 17-20)
5. Who was Leah's daughter? (v. 21)

6. Who was Rachel's son? (v. 24)
7. To whom did Laban credit his blessing through Jacob? (v. 27)
8. How did Jacob increase the number of cattle that he could get?
(v. 37-43)

GENESIS 31

1. Who told Jacob to return to his homeland? (v. 1-3)
2. What did Jacob accuse Laban of doing? (v. 4-7)
3. What good truth is found in verse 16 concerning Leah and Rachel?
4. What did Rachel do? (v. 19)
5. Why was Laban angry with Jacob? (v. 20-26)
6. Why didn't Laban find his idols? (v. 34-35)
7. How long was Jacob with Laban in Syria? (v. 38-41)
8. What did Jacob name the place where he and Laban made a covenant? (v. 47-48)

GENESIS 32

1. Who met Jacob as he was returning home? (v. 1)
2. How did Jacob describe himself in reference to his brother? (v. 2)
3. What is Jacob doing in verses 9-12?
4. What did Jacob desire from Esau? (v. 20)
5. What happened to Jacob in verses 21-25?
6. What was Jacob's name changed to? (v. 38)
7. What did Jacob name the place? (v. 30)
8. What did Jacob say about God? (v. 30)
9. Why did Jacob's thigh remain out of joint?

GENESIS 33

1. What do you understand from the way Jacob placed his wives, children and handmaidens? (v. 1-2)

2. What is surprising and great found in verses 3-4?
3. Compare Jacob's and Esau's attitudes now in verses 3-15 with their attitudes 20 years earlier.
4. Where did Jacob build his house? (v. 17)

GENESIS 34

1. What happened to Dinah? (v. 1-4)
2. Why wouldn't Jacob and his sons give Dinah to Shechem? (v. 14)
3. What was the scheme to have all the men circumcised? (v. 15-26)
4. What was Jacob now afraid of? (v. 30-31)

GENESIS 35

1. Where was Jacob commanded to go? (v. 1)
2. What event is Jacob speaking of in verse 3?
3. Where did Jacob hide the idols and earrings? (v. 4)

4. What important truth do you find in verse 4 about worshipping God?
5. Why did Jacob name the altar El-bethel and what does it mean? (v. 7)
6. What were the two names for Jacob's last son? (v. 18)
7. What happened to Rachel at Benjamin's birth?
8. How many sons did Jacob have? (v. 22)

GENESIS 36

1. From what country did Esau take his wives? (v. 2)
2. Where did Esau dwell? (v. 8)
3. Esau is called the father of whom? (v. 9)

GENESIS 37

1. How old was Joseph as we are introduced to him? (v. 2)
2. What reasons do we find in verses 2-11 that caused strife between Joseph and his brothers?
3. Why did Joseph's father, Israel, love Joseph more? (v. 3)
4. How many dreams did Joseph have? (v. 5-9)

5. Who are the sun, moon and eleven stars represented in verse 9?
6. Why was Joseph sent to his brothers in Shechem? (v. 12-14)
7. What did the brothers plan to do to Joseph? (v. 18)
8. What name did the brothers give Joseph and why? (v. 19)
9. What brother kept Joseph from being killed? (v. 21)
10. Which brother decided to sell Joseph? (v. 26-27)
11. For how much was Joseph sold? (v. 28)
12. What did the brothers do to pretend Joseph was dead? (v. 29-30)
13. Who bought Joseph in Egypt? (v. 36)

GENESIS 39

1. Why was Joseph so useful in Potiphar's house? (v. 1-2)
2. Describe what happened to Joseph in Potiphar's house. (v. 2-6)

3. What did Potiphar's wife do? (v. 7)
4. What two reasons did Joseph give for not yielding to the temptation?
5. What do you learn from verse 10?
6. Describe Mrs. Potiphar's actions and Joseph's. (v. 11-19)
7. What did Potiphar do with Joseph? (v. 20)
8. What happened to Joseph in prison? (v. 21-23)
9. What is the key phrase in this chapter?

GENESIS 40

1. What two people did Pharaoh put in prison in verse 1?
2. Describe the butler's dream and Joseph's interpretation. (v. 5-13)
3. Describe the baker's dream and Joseph's interpretation. (v. 16-19)
4. What did Joseph ask of the butler? (v. 14-15)

5. What happened in verse 23 concerning Joseph's request?

GENESIS 41

1. Describe Pharaoh's dreams. (v. 2-9)

2. Who remembered Joseph now, after how long? (v. 1, 9-13)

3. To whom does Joseph give credit for the interpretation of the dream?
(25, 28)

4. What is the interpretation of Pharaoh's dream? (25-32)

5. Who is chosen for the job of preparation for the famine? (v. 33-40)

6. Describe Joseph's position and responsibilities. (v. 40-44)

7. What was Joseph's new name? (v. 45)

8. Who became Joseph's wife? (v. 45)

9. How old was Joseph when he assumed this high position? (v. 46)

10. What were Joseph's sons' names and why did he give them these names? (v. 50-52)

GENESIS 42

1. Who sent to Egypt for food? (v. 1)
2. If Joseph had 12 sons and 10 went to Egypt for food, who and where were the other two? (v. 2-4)
3. What was Joseph's position in Egypt? (v. 6)
4. What did Joseph accuse his brothers of being? (v. 7-14)
5. What did Joseph require of his brothers to prove they were honest? (v. 15-20)
6. Why did the brothers think they were being treated thusly? (v. 21-23)
7. What two things did Joseph do in verse 24?
8. What did Joseph give his brothers? (v. 25-28)
9. What were their reactions to finding the money in their sacks? (v. 28, 35)

GENESIS 43

1. Which son leads the second visit to Egypt? (v. 1-10)

2. Why was the money brought from Egypt in the sacks taken back?
3. When Joseph took his brothers home, what did they think? (v. 15-18)
4. How did Joseph act when he saw Benjamin? (v. 30)
5. Why didn't Joseph and his brothers sit together? (v. 31-32)
6. Who was the firstborn and who was the youngest? (v. 33)

GENESIS 44

1. What was put in Benjamin's sack? (v. 2)
2. What two things was the cup used for? (v. 2-5)
3. How sure were the brothers that they had not stolen the cup? (v. 6-9)
4. In whose sack was the cup found? (v. 10-13)
5. What did Joseph decide to do as a penalty for taking the cup? (v. 17)
6. What did Judah say would happen to his father, Jacob? (v. 31)

7. What did Judah ask Joseph to do? (v. 31-34)

GENESIS 45

1. What happened when Joseph identified himself? (v. 1-4)

2. Joseph said that he was in Egypt for what reason? (v. 5)

3. Where would Joseph's brothers dwell in Egypt? (v. 10)

4. How did Joseph show that he loved his brothers? (v. 14-15)

5. What did Joseph do for Benjamin? (v. 22)

6. How did Jacob react to the news? (v. 25-28)

GENESIS 46

1. What happened at Beersheba? (v. 1-7)

2. How many sons and daughters did Jacob have to go into Egypt?
(v. 8-26)

3. What occupation were the brothers to tell Pharaoh that they performed?
And why? (v. 33-34)

GENESIS 47

1. Were the brothers honest when they met Pharaoh? (v. 1-6)
2. How old was Jacob? (v. 8-10)
3. How did Jacob describe his life? (v. 9)
4. What percentage would the Egyptians give to Pharaoh? (v. 13-24)
5. How long did Jacob live in Egypt? (v. 28)
6. How old was Jacob? (v. 28)
7. What request did Jacob make of Joseph? (v. 29-31)

GENESIS 48

1. Ephrath is the same as what place? (v. 5-7)
2. What was different about the blessing of Jacob upon Joseph's sons?
(v. 8-20)
3. What extra thing did Jacob do for Joseph? (v. 22)

GENESIS 49

1. What would Judah's brothers do in regard to him? (v. 8-9)

GENESIS 50

1. What request did Joseph make to Pharaoh? (v. 1-6)
2. What are the brothers doing in verses 16 and 17?
3. How old was Joseph? (v. 22, 26)
4. What was Joseph's request? (v. 24-25)