

In Subjection to Governing Authorities
The Blessing of God through Governing Authority

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Genesis 47

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Genesis Outline

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| I. Adam, Noah and the Table of Nations | Genesis 1-11 |
| II. Abraham | Genesis 12-25 |
| III. Isaac and Jacob | Genesis 26-36 |
| IV. Joseph and God's Protection | Genesis 37-50 |

Romans 13:1 - Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God.

Theme Statement: God blesses His own people, gives common grace to others and accomplishes His purposes through the His governing authorities and we are to be in subjection to all governing authorities.

Be in Subjection to the Principal Authority - Genesis 47:1-12

1. Joseph _____ to Pharaoh the arrival of his extended family and their possessions from the land of _____ to the land of _____
2. Joseph brought _____ and introduced them to Pharaoh
3. As Joseph had predicted, Pharaoh asked, “ _____?”
4. As Joseph had primed them, the brothers told Pharaoh they were _____ and _____ and requested to live in the land of _____
5. Pharaoh _____ of settling Joseph's family in the _____, the land of Goshen
6. Joseph then brought his father Jacob and _____ him to Pharaoh and Jacob _____ Pharaoh _____
7. When asked by Pharaoh how old he was, Jacob responded that he had been a _____ for 130 years

Hebrews 11:13-16 - All these died in faith, without receiving the promises, but having seen them and having welcomed them from a distance, and having confessed that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For those who say such things make it clear that they are seeking a country of their own. And indeed if they had been thinking of that country from which they went out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He has prepared a city for them.

8. Joseph _____ in the land of Goshen as Pharaoh had _____ and then _____ proportionate to the number of persons

Be in Subjection to the Agents of Authority - Genesis 47:13-26

1. The famine was severe in both _____ and _____
2. The money was completely spent in both _____ and _____
3. The Egyptian people came to Joseph, their _____, to ask for food
4. Joseph suggested that they trade their _____ for _____ and they _____
5. After the livestock was spent, the Egyptian people suggested that they trade their _____ and _____ for food and seed and Joseph _____ and _____ into the cities
6. Toward the end of the famine, Joseph gave them _____ to plant and taxed the Egyptian people _____ of their produce, a system which lasted over 400 years
7. The Egyptian people were _____ to Joseph for _____

Be in Subjection to Parental Authority - Genesis 47:27-31

1. Observation: Israel lived in the land of Goshen, acquired _____, were _____ and became very _____ - Genesis 1:28; Genesis 9:1; Genesis 17:2; Genesis 26:4; Genesis 28:3; Genesis 48:4
2. Jacob calls for Joseph to _____ that when “I lie down with my fathers”, you shall carry my body out of Egypt and bury it in the _____ in the burial of my fathers.
3. Joseph in submission to his father Jacob promised to do _____
4. The Jacob/Israel bowed in _____ at the head of his bed

Hebrews 11:9-10 - By faith he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise; for he was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

Implications

1. We are to submit to the _____ in our lives
2. We are to live as _____ while on earth looking forward to the city whose architect and builder is God