

Genesis 45:1-28

Revelation

The moment of truth ...

I. Joseph Revealed

- A. Dramatic Unveiling
- B. Utter Dismay
- C. God's Will to Save

II. Jesus Revealed

- A. Humiliation
- B. Exaltation
- C. Salvation
- D. Return
- E. God's Way of Salvation

... the Day of Judgment.

Children, Listen ...

1. How did Joseph's brother act when he showed them it was him? (or is this he?)
2. What do you think it was like to be one of the brothers at that moment?
3. How did Joseph explain to them why even the bad things that happened to him took place?
4. What is the way that God made for sinners to be saved?
5. While His people see Him in heaven right now, we don't see Jesus. Will everyone see Him some day? How will that be?

The Moment You've Been Waiting For?

We have been following the story of Joseph for quite some time now. While we enjoy the drama as it unfolds there is little mystery as left as to where the climax of the story takes us. Unlike his brothers we have known all along that the mysterious second hand man to Pharaoh was Joseph. What a startling revelation it is to the sons of Jacob when they realize that the very one they once sold off to slaveholders – they are speechless. Though we may be very familiar with this wonderful story we should never let it cease to amaze us. Not only do we see the wonderful, mysterious work of God unfold to us we see a powerful type in the story of the revelation of Jesus Christ Himself. In the Gospels we see Jesus revealed in His first advent as the Son of the Living God who came to die for sinners – and so He does. But death could not hold Him and He rose up in power. At the end of the Gospel records the risen Jesus ascends to glory, shrouded since then by a cloudy veil between heaven and earth. We are called to believe in Him though faith, and though we don't see him, we believe in Him. A great and awesome day is coming when everyone will see Him again, at that time in full splendor and glory. What a wonderful day of awestruck bliss that will be for His saints – what a day of awful terror that will be for those who denied Him.

Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. Revelation 1:7