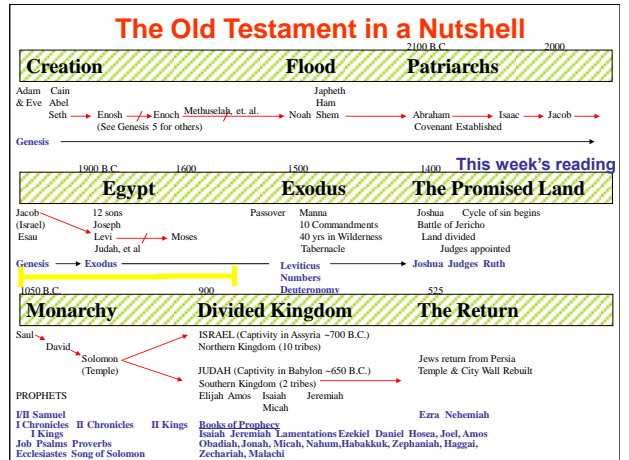


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What Happened In This Week's Reading

- a. Joseph the Egyptian Ruler
 - Manasseh and Ephraim born
 - Jacob and sons come to Egypt
- b. Jacob's and Joseph's Last Days
 - Brothers described

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What Happened In This Week's Reading

- c. Establishment of a Nation
 - Moses Emerges as Leader
 - Aaron selected to assist
 - Moses encounters God in the burning bush
- d. Plagues on the Egyptians
 - God versus Pharaoh

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What does it mean?

- a. Joseph: The Epitome of **virtue**
- In contrast to his brothers, father and grandfather. Sins of Patriarchs
 - They were **corrupted** by the culture and their sin nature. Are we?
 - Compare to Joseph. What were his virtues? p. 80 Gen. 41:14-16
 - His primary virtue? Pro. 3:5,6; Acts 7:9,10; Heb. 11:17-22; Rom. 4
 - Gets his reward, p. 81

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What does it mean?

- b. Maintaining **Moral purity** in a licentious world. Patriarchs didn't do such a great job. Name some examples of high profile people who succumbed to sexual temptation.
- What is the common thread?
 - What can we do to "fireproof" ourselves and our kids

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What does it mean?

- c. God speaks to Joseph in a dream and Moses in a burning bush. How does He speak to you?
- d. Moses emerges as a **leader**. What are the qualities that make him an effective leader? What roles does Aaron play?

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Going Deeper

- a. The Lord was with Joseph and he prospered. p. 78 The prosperity Gospel
- b. Moses opposes Pharaoh. How do we confront a government with who we disagree? p. 104, 105

How will you use what you have learned this week?

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