



Deliverance

Abrahamic Covenant and Joseph, Moses, Joshua

Abrahamic Promise

- Story of **deliverance**:
 - Abraham's deliverance from idolatry.
 - Abraham's family to land of their own.
 - Mankind's deliverance from sin, death.
- Requires a deliverer.
- God through covenants provided
 - Info about the deliver, deliverance.
- Deliverance illustrated in 3 individuals
 - Joseph, Moses, Joshua
 - Illustration of the **greater** deliverer.



***Deliverance:** the action of being **rescued** or set free!*

What is deliverance?

According to Google

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At its core,

-- the Abrahamic promise and covenant is a story of
deliverance:

-- Abraham's deliverance from the idolatry of Ur

-- the deliverance of Abraham's family into a land of their own

-- mankind's deliverance from the reign of sin and death.

But to accomplish this deliverance

-- requires a deliverer.

-- God through the Abrahamic covenant and its subsequent covenants (Law, New)

-- provides a wealth of information about both this deliverer and the deliverance they would provide.

-- We find this deliverance particularly illustrated in three individuals who played a vital role in Israel's history:

-- Joseph, Moses, and Joshua.

Each not only played a pivotal role in delivering fleshly Israel, but each also provides

-- an illustration of the greater deliverer, Christ, and the ultimate deliverance he would provide from sin and death, for Israel and all mankind.

For a few minutes we will consider these three individuals and how the deliverance they provided to Israel pictures the greater deliverance of the Abrahamic covenant.

Joseph



- Role as deliverer began at age 17
 - Sold into slavery.
- First son of Rachel.
 - 12th child in dysfunctional family of 2 wives, two maids, 11 children.
 - Brought **bad** report of brothers.

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We begin with Joseph

-- His role as Israel's deliverer began at the tender age of 17 when he was sold into slavery by his brothers.

-- Joseph was the first son of Jacob's favored wife, Rachel.

-- He was the 12th child, born into dysfunctional family of two wives, two maids and their 11 children all vying for Jacob's attention.

While pasturing the flocks with his brothers,

-- Joseph brought a bad report to his father Jacob of his brother's dealings which stimulated their hostility toward him. Gen. 37:2

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Joseph's Dreams

Gen 37:7 (NASB): "lo, my sheaf rose up and also stood erect; and behold, your sheaves gathered around and **bowed** down to my sheaf."



Gen. 37:9 (NASB): "Lo, I have had still another dream; and behold, the sun and the moon and eleven stars were **bowing** down to me."

- Prophecies foretelling Joseph's future **rulership** over his father, brothers.

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Later, Joseph had two dreams which stoked this hatred even more.

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-- The dreams were actually

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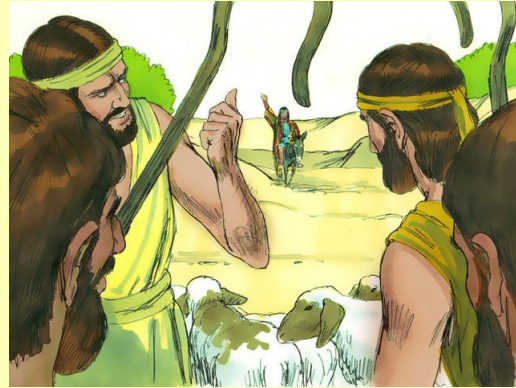
The brother's response is found in:

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Sent to His Brethren

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A while later Jacob said to Joseph

-- **Gen. 37:13 (NASB):** "Are not your brothers pasturing *the flock* in Shechem? Come, and I will send you to them.' And he said to him, 'I will go.'"

In a similar fashion,

-- God sent his only begotten son, the Logos to earth as the man Christ Jesus to

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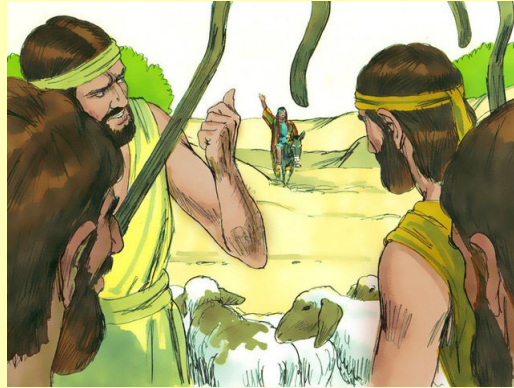
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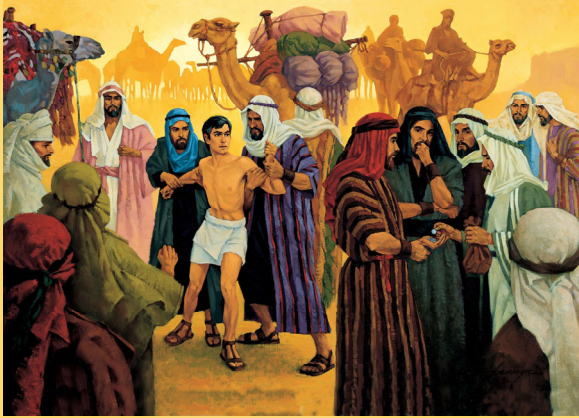
This pictures what Jesus' Jewish brethren would do to him at his first advent.

Jesus himself foretold this in the parable of the wicked husbandman,

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That is exactly what the Jewish leaders did to Jesus.

Sold Into Slavery



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How this reminds of how Jesus was stripped of his raiment, crucified and then placed in an empty grave. Both Reuben and then Judah persuaded the other brethren not to kill Joseph and instead,

-- **Gen. 37:28 (NASB):** "They ... lifted Joseph out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty *shekels* of

silver. Thus they brought Joseph into Egypt.”

Joseph was sold for only 20 pieces of silver because he was not yet a man.

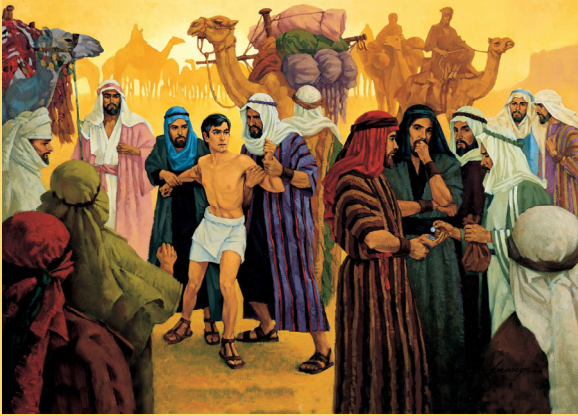
Similarly, Jesus was betrayed by one of his brethren, the apostles, for 30 pieces of silver because he was a grown man.

While Joseph’s brethren did not kill him, they deceived Jacob into believing Joseph was dead:

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How cruel was that.

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As a result of this deception:

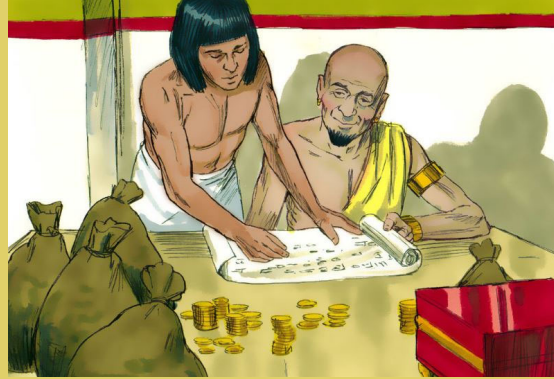
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For many years, Jacob believed his son Joseph was dead.

Slave in Egypt

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Despite being sold as a slave,

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It is remarkable that Joseph, at his young age, and limited communication with God, did not rail against God for his mis-fortune.

Joseph humbly accepted God's overruling, showing his great faith in God, and this resulted in favor from God.

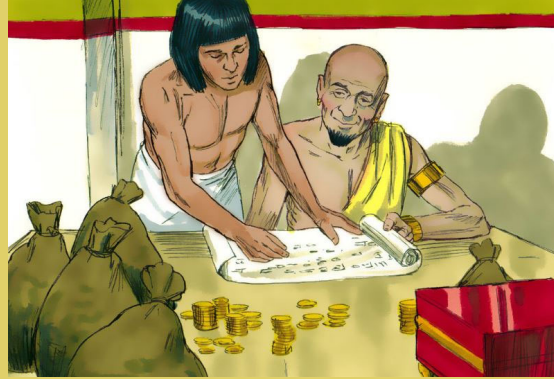
Think about when you were 17 and how you might have reacted if you had been in Joseph's position.

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Putting Joseph in charge of his house, benefited Potiphar also.

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Joseph and Potiphar



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In this experience, Joseph was an illustration of our Lord. As the Logos, our Lord:

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Just like Joseph, Jesus willingly humbled himself to this role as slave.

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The Abrahamic covenant required atonement before its blessings of deliverance could flow to all mankind.

This was pictured in God asking Abraham to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on Mt. Moriah (Genesis 22:2-22).

-- Joseph becoming a slave, and later going into prison,

-- pictured the Logos becoming the man Christ Jesus and then going into death as a ransom for father Adam.

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Just like God prospered the work of Joseph under Potiphar, God prospered Jesus' work during his earthly ministry.

Nicodemus testified about this in:

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Temptation in Potiphar's House

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- She accused Joseph of assault
 - Joseph thrown into prison. **Gen. 39:13-20**
- Satan stirred up the Jewish leaders to accuse Jesus, have Jesus crucified!
 - Putting him into the great prison house of death. Psalm 142:7, Isaiah 42:7



Joseph's success and appearance caught the eye of Potiphar's wife.

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Joseph responded to this temptation with integrity:

-- **Gen. 39:9 (NASB):** "How then could I do this great evil and sin against God?"

Joseph rejected her overtures maintaining his integrity and eventually, fled from her presence (Genesis 39:7-12).

-- In retribution, she accused Joseph of assault and as a result,

-- Potiphar had Joseph thrown into prison (Gen. 39:13-20).

In a similar fashion, Satan used various means and individuals to try to corrupt our Lord from his mission as man's redeemer.

-- Failing this, Satan stirred up the Jewish leaders to accuse Jesus before the Roman authorities and have Jesus crucified,

-- putting him into the great prison house of death (Psalm 142:7, Isaiah 42:7).

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Once again God caused things to prosper in the hand of Joseph despite his additional hardship.

This experience was

- another preparation for Joseph's future role
- opportunity to demonstrate kindness to the other prisoners including eventually Pharoah's butler, baker.

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Noticing their dejection gave Joseph an opportunity to be helpful and

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After interpreting the dream of the butler, Joseph made the following plea to him:

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Note that Joseph did not evil speak against either his brethren or against Potiphar or even his wife.

He simply stated that he had done nothing to qualify for imprisonment.

But it would another two (2) years, before the butler would remember Joseph's kindness and bring it to Pharoah's attention.

Still, Joseph maintained his faith in and obedience to God.

Jesus in the Prison House

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Joseph's imprisonment was similar to our Lord's experiences.

-- Jesus was unjustly accused before government authorities and as a result, put to death:

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Jesus was:

-- **Heb. 7:26 (NASB):** "... holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens;" because of his kindness and faithfulness unto death.

The apostle Peter summarized Jesus' earthly ministry in:

-- **Acts 10:38 (NASB):** "*You know of* Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and *how* He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him."

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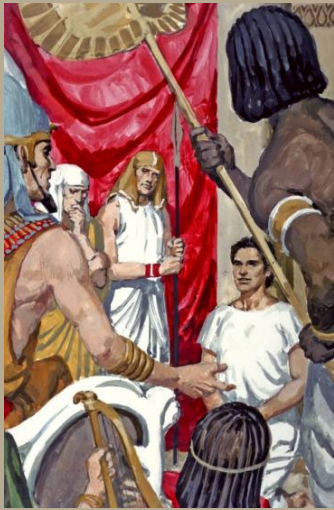
Like Joseph was released from prison by the power of God, so too Jesus was released from the prison house of death by the mighty power of God.

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Because of Jesus’ faithfulness unto death, God’s justice would not allow him to be held as a prisoner for death but demanded his being raised to life.



Raised to Pharaoh's Right Hand

- Pharaoh's **dreams** of the cows, ears of corn
 - Led to Joseph's release. Gen. 39:21-41:14
- Joseph's **interpretation** of dream, suggestion on how to respond
 - Led to **elevation** next to Pharaoh

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In the case of Joseph

-- Pharaoh's dreams of the cows and the ears of corn,

-- led to Joseph's release from prison. Gen. 39:21-41:14

The butler finally remembered how Joseph had interpreted his dream, related this to Pharaoh and

-- Joseph's interpretation of Pharaoh's dream by God's power and suggestion on how to respond led to his elevation to be next to Pharaoh.

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This is such a beautiful illustration of Jesus' resurrection from the dead:

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At God’s right hand, our risen Lord is in the absolute best position to save Israel and the entire human family from the condemnation of sin and death.

Positioned to Save His Family

- Joseph positioned to **save** his brethren.
- God sent Jesus ahead
 - Will raise him up over anti-typical Egypt as **ever-lasting father**. Isa. 9:6

1 Cor. 15:45 (NASB): "The last Adam [Jesus] became a **life-giving spirit**."



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At the right hand of Pharaoh,

-- Joseph was now positioned to save his brethren when the prophesied famine came to pass years later.

When Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, he said:

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In the same way,

-- God sent Jesus ahead and will raise him over the anti-

typical Egypt to be

-- an everlasting father [life-giver] not just to his brethren, the Jewish people, but to all mankind.

As the apostle Paul writes Jesus is:

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To this Jesus added in:

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In this way, the life of Joseph illustrates not only the atonement but the resurrection, restitution and the spiritual food that will be provided to all in Christ's kingdom in fulfillment of the Abrahamic covenant by the great deliverer, our Lord Jesus.

Joseph, Moses, Joshua

- Joseph used:
 - Deliver Jacob, family from famine.
- Joseph pictured:
 - Had to suffer, die.
 - Integrity, faith, obedience of deliverer.
 - Raised to God's right hand.

What lessons do we see from the life of Joseph regarding the deliverer and deliverance provided by the Abrahamic covenant:

- Joseph was used by God to:
- Deliver Jacob and his family from the upcoming famine.
- Joseph pictured how the Christ, the Deliverer
- Had to suffer, die to provide for the deliverance of the Abrahamic covenant.
- Pictured the integrity, faith, obedience of the deliverer.
- Pictured how the deliverer would be raised to God's right hand to accomplish this deliverance.

Moses Raised in Egypt



- Preparation for deliverer
 - Began at age **3** months
 - Discovered by Pharaoh's daughter.
- Raised in the courts of a **king**.
 - Hebrew background revealed to him.
- Logos in courts of **heaven**
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Regarding Moses

-- his preparation as Israel's deliverer began even earlier than Joseph's

-- at the tender age 3 months when he was

-- discovered in the bulrushes by Pharaoh's daughter.

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While Joseph was raised as a nomad in Canaan,

-- Moses taken by Pharoah's daughter and was raised in the courts of a king, Pharoah.

Nevertheless, because Pharoah's daughter engaged Moses' mother to nurse him as baby

-- Moses' Hebrew background was revealed to him.

What a beautiful illustration of our Lord Jesus in his pre-human existence as the

-- Logos, being in the courts of heaven as the only begotten son of God, prior to being made flesh.

Moses Raised in Egypt



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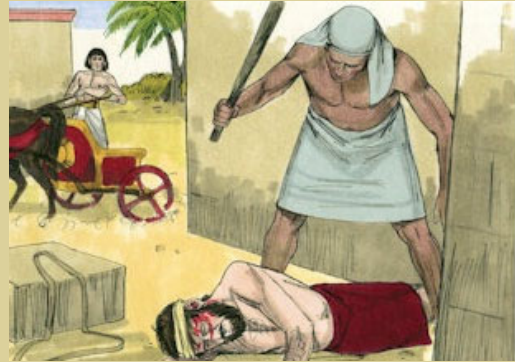
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Moses in Midian

Exod. 2:15 (NASB): "When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he tried to **kill** Moses. But Moses fled from the presence of Pharaoh and settled in the land of Midian."

- **Stood up** for 7 daughters of Reuel.

Exod. 2:21 (NASB): "Moses was willing to dwell with the man, and he gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses."



Exod. 2:11-12 (NASB): "when Moses had grown up, that he went out to his brethren ... and he saw an Egyptian **beating** a Hebrew, one of his brethren. (12) ... when he saw there was no one *around*, -- he **struck down** the Egyptian and hid him in the sand."

Later,

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While Moses was a mighty prince in Egypt, he had a sense of justice for his brethren, the Israelites.

-- **Exod. 2:15 (NASB):** "When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he tried to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the presence of Pharaoh and settled in the land of Midian." Despite his training and earthly position, Moses was not

ready to be used of God to deliver Israel from their bondage in Egypt.

He needed further preparation.

After reaching Midian,

-- Moses stood up for the seven (7) daughters of Reuel who had come to water their flocks by a well.

Doing so began a relationship between Moses and the family and

-- **Exod. 2:21 (NASB):** "Moses was willing to dwell with the man, and he gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses."

Moses began his second career as a shepherd in Midian.

Moses at Burning Bush



- Four times in the conversation
 - He is **not qualified** to be Israel's deliverer. Exod. 3:11, 3:13, 4:1, 4:10

- Four times God describes
 - **Support** He will provide.

Exod. 4:13 (ESV): "Oh, my Lord, please send **someone else**."

Exod. 3:9-10 (NASB): "Now, behold, the cry of the sons of Israel has come to Me; furthermore, I have seen the **oppression** with which the Egyptians are oppressing them. (10) Therefore, come now, and I will **send you** to Pharaoh, so that you may bring My people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt."

Forty years later, an angel of the LORD appeared to him at the burning bush and said for God,

-- **Exod. 3:9-10 (NASB):** "Now, behold, the cry of the sons of Israel has come to Me; furthermore, I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians are oppressing them. (10) Therefore, come now, and I will send you to Pharaoh, so that you may bring My people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt."

-- Four times in the ensuing conversation Moses tells God
-- he is not qualified to be Israel's deliverer.

-- Four times God responds and describes the support He will provide to Moses.

Finally, Moses said,

-- **Exod. 4:13 (ESV):** “Oh, my Lord, please send someone else.”

He had been humbled by his experience in Midian.

But God’s promises of support eventually persuaded Moses and he returned to Egypt as God’s representative to liberate Israel from Egyptian slavery.

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Connection to Abrahamic Promise

- 3 I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as God Almighty, ...
- 4 I also established My **covenant** with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they sojourned.
- 5 Furthermore I have heard the groaning of the sons of Israel, because the Egyptians are holding them in bondage, and I have remembered My **covenant**. **Exod. 6:3-5 (NASB)**



Later, God explained to Moses how this deliverance of the Israelites from Egypt was connected to the Abrahamic covenant.

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6:3-5 (NASB)

Connection to Abrahamic Promise

- 6 Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will **deliver** you from their bondage. I will also **redeem** you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments.
- 7 'Then I will take you for **My people**, and I will be your God; and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.
- 8 'I will bring you to the **land** which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and I will give it to you *for* a possession; I am the LORD.'" **Exod. 6:6-8 (NASB)**



*Verses 6-8: Prophetic of what God would do for all **mankind** under the Abrahamic covenant!*

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Moses Pictures the Greater Deliverer



Exod. 4:21 (NASB): "When you go back to Egypt ... I will **harden** his [Pharaoh] heart so that he will not let the people go."

- Pharaoh = Satan
 - Holding mankind in **bondage** of sin, death.
 - Mankind cries for **deliverance**. Exod. 2:23,24
- Moses = Christ
 - God's **agent** leading mankind to freedom from Satan, bondage.

Exod. 4:22-23 (NASB): "Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the LORD, 'Israel is My son, My firstborn. (23) So I said to you, 'Let My son go that he may serve Me'; but you have refused to let him go. Behold, I will **kill** your son, your firstborn.'"

Moses was God's representative in demanding that Pharaoh let his people Israel go that they might serve the LORD.

Even before the first plague God prophesied to Moses what the outcome would be.

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In this contest,

-- Pharaoh represents Satan, the god of this present evil world,

-- holding mankind in the bondage of sin and death.

He is an onerous master and like the Israelites of old,

-- mankind groans and cries for deliverance because of their bondage. Exod. 2:23,24.

-- Moses pictures our Lord Jesus Christ who acts

-- as God's agent in leading mankind, represented in Israel, to freedom from Satan and this bondage.

Such is the deliverance promised in the Abrahamic covenant.

Israel Part of the Greater Deliverer?

- God initiated another **covenant** with Israel.
 - Prepare Israel part of greater **deliverer**.
 - Foreshadow future **covenant** to bless all mankind.

Exod. 19:7 (NASB): [Moses] "... set before them [Israel] all these words which the LORD had commanded him. (8) All the people answered together and said, 'All that the LORD has spoken we **will do!**'"



Exod. 19:4-6 (NASB): "(5) Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine; (6) and you shall be to Me a kingdom of **priests** and a **holy nation.**"

After Israel was delivered from Egypt,

- God initiated another covenant, just with Israel.
- It would prepare Israel to be part of the greater deliverer Moses pictured.
- It would foreshadow a future covenant under which that greater deliverer that would bless all mankind and bring them back into harmony with God.

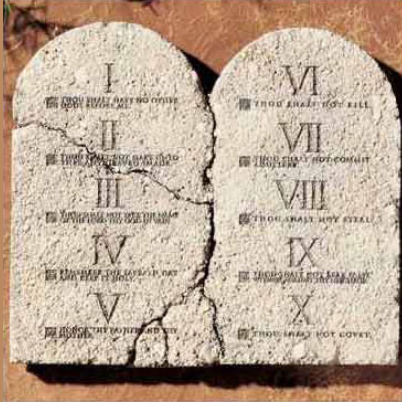
At Mt. Sinai, God instituted this covenant and promised to Israel through Moses

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Israel Part of the Greater Deliverer?



- Law Covenant
 - Tutor to lead Israel to **Christ**. Gal. 3:24
 - Accept Jesus as **Messiah**.
 - Become part of the greater **deliverer**, the Christ head, body.
- **Isa. 61:6 (NASB):** "But you will be called the **priests** of the LORD; You will be spoken of *as* ministers of our God."

Zech. 6:12-13 (NASB): "Behold, a man whose name is Branch, ... He will build the **temple** of the LORD. (13) ... and He who will bear the honor and sit and rule on His throne. Thus, He will be a priest on His throne."

- The Law covenant which God established with Israel at Mt. Sinai
- was a tutor or schoolmaster to lead Israel to the Messiah, Jesus Christ,
- that they might accept Jesus as the Messiah and thereby,
- become part of the greater deliverer, the Christ head and body, pictured by Moses.

The prophet Isaiah foretold of this opportunity in:

- **Isa. 61:6 (NASB):** "But you will be called the **priests** of the LORD; You will be spoken of *as* ministers of our God."

Israel was promised the opportunity to be associated with

our Lord in his role as specified by Zechariah in:

-- **Zech. 6:12-13 (NASB):** "Behold, a man whose name is Branch, ... He will build the temple of the LORD. (13) ... and He who will bear the honor and sit and rule on His throne. Thus, He will be a priest on His throne."

That temple would be the spiritual seed of the Abrahamic promise, the great anti-typical Melchizedek priesthood and Israel had an opportunity to be that spiritual temple.

Israel Part of Greater Deliverer?

- Moses taught Israel the **laws, statutes**
 - Might obtain that promise.
- **Deut. 5:29 (NASB):** "... such a **heart** in them, that they would fear Me and keep all My commandments always, that it may be well with them and with their sons forever!"
- **Disobedient** to God, Law covenant
 - Failed to accept Jesus.
 - Failed to become kings, priests.
 - Opportunity opened to Gentiles.



Deut. 5:33 (NASB): "You [Israel] shall **walk** in all the way which the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live and that it may be well with you."

-- Moses taught Israel the laws and statutes of the Law Covenant so they might obtain that promise.

He said in:

-- **Deut. 5:33 (NASB):** "You [Israel] shall walk in all the way which the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live and that it may be well with you."

If Israel would have been obedient to the way the Lord commanded, it would have prepared them to be part of that spiritual temple.

Alas, Israelites did not develop

-- **Deut. 5:29 (NASB):** "... such a heart in them, that they would fear Me [God] and keep all My commandments always, that it may be well with them and with their sons forever!"

As a result,

-- Israel was disobedient to God, His Law covenant and as a result, they

-- failed to accept Jesus as Messiah

-- failed to become that nation of kings and priests that God spoke of in Exodus and the

-- opportunity to complete the priesthood was opened to the Gentiles.

Deliverer as Mediator



- Moses = The Christ
 - **Mediator** of New Covenant.
 - Return to **harmony, sonship** with God.
 - Stand between mankind, justice as mankind ascends highway of holiness. Heb. 8:6; 9:15; 12:24

Heb. 12:24 (NASB): “Jesus, the **mediator** of a new covenant.”

Heb. 8:6 (NASB): “Now He has obtained a more excellent ministry [Melchizedek priesthood], by as much as He is also the **mediator** of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises.”

-- Moses pictured the Christ, not just a liberator but also a mediator.

-- As mediator of the New Covenant,

Deliverance means more than just liberation from the rulership of Satan and present evil world, it also means

-- return to harmony, sonship with God.

The Christ is the mediator that will accomplish this

-- It will stand between mankind and divine justice protecting mankind while they ascend the highway of holiness back to perfection and harmony with God (Hebrews 8:6, 9:15, 12:24).

Paul states because of our Lord's faithful sacrifice unto death,

-- **Heb. 8:6 (NASB):** "Now He has obtained a more excellent ministry [Melchizedek priesthood], by as much as He is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises."

Paul adds in:

-- **Heb. 12:24 (NASB):** "Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant."

Mediator of a Better Covenant

8 BEHOLD, DAYS ARE COMING, SAYS THE LORD, WHEN I WILL EFFECT A **NEW COVENANT** WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND WITH THE HOUSE OF JUDAH;

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11 AND THEY SHALL NOT TEACH EVERYONE HIS FELLOW CITIZEN, AND EVERYONE HIS BROTHER, SAYING, 'KNOW THE LORD,' FOR ALL WILL KNOW ME, FROM THE LEAST TO THE GREATEST OF THEM. **Heb 8:8,10,11**
(NASB)

In Hebrews 8:8, Paul quotes from Jeremiah and explains how this New Covenant will be better for Israel and mankind:

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Deliverer As Law Giver



- Moses = greater **lawgiver**, Christ.
 - Presiding over New Covenant.
 - Giving laws of everlasting life.
- Israelites, mankind
 - Will **listen** to Christ, Mediator of the New Covenant

Deut. 18:18-19 (NASB): “I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. (19) It shall come about that whoever will not listen to My words which he shall speak in My name, I Myself will require *it* of him.”

-- Moses also pictured Christ as this greater lawgiver, presiding over the New Covenant and

-- giving Israel and all mankind the laws that lead to everlasting life and helping them to embrace, love these laws.

Through Moses God foretold:

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will not listen to My words which he shall speak in My name, I Myself will require *it* of him.”

Unlike their experience under the Law Covenant,

-- the Israelites and mankind will listen to Christ, Mediator of the New Covenant and obey.

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- Israel, mankind become earthly **seed**
 - Spread to north, south, east, west. Gen. 28:14

Jer. 32:38-41 (NASB): "They shall be **My people**, and I will be their God; (39) and I will give them one **heart** and one way, that they may fear Me always, for their own good and for *the good of* their children after them. (40) ... I will put the fear of Me in their **hearts** so that they will not turn away from Me."

Through Christ, Jeremiah writes about this obedience:

-- **Jer. 32:38-41 (NASB):** "They shall be My people, and I will be their God; (39) and I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me always, for their own good and for *the good of* their children after them. (40) ... I will put the fear of Me in their hearts so that they will not turn away from Me."

Under the Christ as Mediator and Lawgiver,

-- Israel, mankind will become the earthly seed [dust, sand] of the Abrahamic promise.

-- As the dust of earth, they shall spread abroad to the north, south, east and the west and in this seed all of the nations of the earth shall be blessed. Genesis 28:14.

Joseph, Moses, Joshua

- Joseph used:
 - Deliver Jacob, family from famine.
- Joseph pictured:
 - Had to suffer, die.
 - Integrity, faith, obedience of deliverer.
 - Raised to God's right hand.

- Moses used:
 - Deliver Israel from Egypt.
 - Bring Israel into covenant with God.
 - Give God's law.
- Moses pictured:
 - Free mankind from Satan.
 - Give up glory, humble self.
 - Deliver by God's might.
 - Bring mankind into covenant with God.
 - Mediator to protect mankind.
 - Law giver to mankind.

What lessons do we see from the life of Moses regarding the deliverer and deliverance provided under the Abrahamic covenant:

- Moses was used by God to:
- Deliver Israel from Egyptian bondage.
- Bring Israel into covenant relationship with God.
- To give Israel His law.
- Moses pictured how the Christ, deliverer would free Israel, mankind from Satan, his power.
- How the deliverer would have to give up his heavenly glory and humble himself to become the deliverer.
- How deliverance would be by God's might.

- How deliverer would bring Israel, mankind back into covenant relationship with God.
- How deliverer would be a mediator to protect mankind.
- How deliverer would be a law giver to bring Israel, mankind back into harmony with God

Joshua's Preparation as Leader

Num 11:28 (NASB): "Then Joshua the son of Nun, [was] the attendant of Moses from his youth."

Exod. 24:13 (NASB): "So Moses arose with Joshua his servant, and Moses went up to the mountain of God."



Exod. 17:9,12-13 (NASB): "Choose men for us and go out, fight against Amalek. Tomorrow I will station myself on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand. ... (11) ... When Moses held his hand up, that Israel prevailed, ... (12) But Moses' hands were heavy. ... and Aaron and Hur supported his hands, ... Thus his hands were steady until the sun set. (13) So Joshua overwhelmed Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword."

Joshua's preparation as Israel's eventual leader began as a young man.

-- **Num 11:28 (NASB):** "Then Joshua the son of Nun, [was] the attendant of Moses from his youth."

When Moses went up to the mountain to receive the tablets, he took Joshua with him part way.

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When Amalek attacked Israel while they were at Rephedim, Joshua was called upon by Moses to lead Israel's defense.

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While God gave Israel the victory, Joshua was on the front lines fighting for the Lord.

Joshua's Preparation as Leader



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- 16 May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation,
- 17 who will go out and come in before them, and who will lead them out and bring them in, so that the congregation of the LORD will not be like sheep which have no shepherd."
- 18 So the LORD said to Moses, "Take Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the **Spirit**, and lay your hand on him; Num. 27:16-18 (NASB)

Num 14:7-9 (NASB): "The land which we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land. (8) If the LORD is pleased with us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us—a land which flows with milk and honey. (9) Only **do not rebel** against the LORD; and do not fear the people of the land, for they will be our prey. Their protection has been removed from them, and the LORD is **with us**; do not fear them."

Later, Joshua was sent out as one of the 12 Israelites sent to spy out the land of Canaan.

When they returned, every spy but Joshua and Caleb gave a bad report of the land stirring up a rebellion of the nation against Moses, Aaron and really, God.

To this Joshua and Caleb, replied:

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Their protection has been removed from them, and the LORD is with us; do not fear them.”

While this did not persuade the Israelites it demonstrated Joshua’s spirit was wholly given to the Lord.

When it was time for Moses to pass off the scene, he inquired of God who was to be his replacement:

-- 16 May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation,

-- 17 who will go out and come in before them, and who will lead them out and bring them in, so that the congregation of the LORD will not be like sheep which have no shepherd."

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Like our Lord Jesus, Joshua had the Lord’s spirit in him, to help him to lead Israel into the promised land.

Joshua

- Moses taken off the scene
 - Joshua becomes Israel's leader.
- God's agent
 - Take possession of Canaan.
- Fulfilled part of Abrahamic promise
 - Leading Israelites into Canaan.



Josh. 1:2,3,6 (NASB): "Moses My servant is dead; now therefore arise, cross this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them, to the sons of Israel. (3) Every place on which the sole of your foot treads, I have given it to you, just as I spoke to Moses. ... (6) Be strong and courageous, for you shall give this people possession of the land which I swore to their fathers to give them."

-- When Moses was taken off the scene, Joshua became Israel's leader.

He was

-- God's agent in leading Israel to take possession of Canaan, the promised land, and conquer it from its current inhabitants.

The LORD spoke to Joshua saying:

-- **Josh. 1:2,3,6 (NASB):** "Moses My servant is dead; now therefore arise, cross this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them, to the sons of Israel. (3) Every place on which the sole of your foot treads, I have given it to you, just as I spoke to Moses. ...

(6) Be strong and courageous, for you shall give this people possession of the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.”

-- Joshua fulfilled a part of the Abrahamic promise by
-- leading the Israelites into the promised land, Canaan.

Crossing the Jordan



- **Led** Israel across the Jordan river.
- Priests carrying ark of covenant.
 - Entered the Jordan first.
- As their feet touched the Jordan
 - Waters piled up at Adam. Josh. 3:15,16
- **Royal priesthood** gives their life so
 - Mankind released from Adamic condemnation.

Josh. 3:17 (NASB): "And the priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan while all Israel crossed on dry ground, until all the nation had finished crossing the Jordan.

Under God's direction,

-- Joshua led Israel across the Jordan river.

Here,

-- the priests carrying the ark of the covenant

-- entered the Jordan first, before the people.

-- As their feet touched the Jordan,

-- the waters piled up at the city of Adam, enabling the people to cross over on dry ground. Josh. 3:15,16

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of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan while all Israel crossed on dry ground, until all the nation had finished crossing the Jordan.

What a beautiful illustration of how the

-- The greater deliverer, royal priesthood, sacrifices their earthly lives so all mankind, pictured by Israel,

-- can be released from Adamic condemnation, pictured in the Jordan river.

With this deliverance, mankind will pass into the Millennial blessings and complete the fulfillment of the Abrahamic promise.

Jericho

- Under Joshua's **leadership**
 - Israel conquered Jericho.
- Seven **priests** blowing trumpets,
 - Led ark, Israel's warriors around Jericho once/day, for 6 days.
- On seventh day,
 - Circled Jericho 7 times and

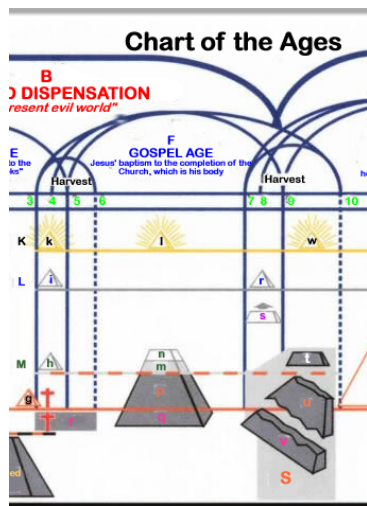


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Thereafter,

- under Joshua's leadership and by God's power,
- Israel conquered Jericho.
- Seven priests blowing trumpets led the ark of the covenant and Israel's fighting men around Jericho once each day, for six consecutive days.
- On the seventh day, all rose early,
- the entire procession circled Jericho seven times and then,

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Jericho

- Pictured the Gospel Age
 - Angels to 7 churches blew the trumpet of truth.
 - Develop body of deliverer.
- During harvest of the age
 - Angels pour plagues on Babylon
 - Help bring present evil world to end.
 - Pre-requisite to Christ's earthly kingdom, New Covenant.
- Greater deliverer, **Christ**.
 - Brings new heaven, new earth.

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- This event pictured the entire Gospel age,
- during which the angels to the seven churches each blew the trumpet of truth to
- develop a portion of the body of the deliverer during their part of the age.
- Then, during the harvest of the age,
- the angels pour out the plagues on Babylon
- to help bring this present evil world to an end.
- a necessary pre-requisite for establishing Christ's

earthly kingdom and the New Covenant.

Then,

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-- It will be the greater deliverer, the Christ, that brings that new heaven and new earth and helps the human family inherit the earth, just as Israel inherited the promised land.

Joshua

- 3 Then I **took** your father Abraham from beyond the River, ... , and multiplied his descendants and gave him Isaac.
- 4 To Isaac I gave Jacob and Esau, and ... Jacob and his sons **went down** to Egypt.
- 5 Then I sent Moses and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt ... and afterward I **brought** you out. **Josh. 24:3-5 (NASB)**



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At the end of Joshua's life, God through Joshua summarized how He had delivered Israel and fulfilled his promise to Abraham.

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Josh. 24:11 (NASB)



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While this fulfilled God's promise to make Abraham a great nation and lead him to a land that God would give his descendants, it would take the greater deliverer illustrated by Joseph, Moses and Joshua by which God would fulfill his covenant with Abraham to:

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Joseph, Moses, Joshua

- Joseph used:
 - Deliver Jacob, family from famine.
- Joseph pictured:
 - Had to suffer, die.
 - Integrity, faith, obedience of deliverer.
 - Raised to God's right hand.

- Moses used:
 - Deliver Israel from Egypt.
 - Bring Israel into covenant with God.
 - Give God's law.
- Moses pictured:
 - Free mankind from Satan.
 - Give up glory, humble self.
 - Deliver by God's might.
 - Bring mankind into covenant with God.
 - Mediator to protect mankind.
 - Law giver to mankind.

- Joshua used:
 - Lead Israel into Canaan.
 - Conquer, distribute Canaan.
- Joshua pictured:
 - Deliverer would have God's spirit.
 - Deliverer sacrifice life to save mankind.
 - Deliverer triumph over nations, own hearts.
 - Deliverer help mankind inherit

What lessons do we see from the life of Joshua regarding the deliverer and deliverance provided by the Abrahamic covenant:

- Joshua was used by God to :
- Lead Israel into Canaan, the actual promised land.
- Lead Israel to conquer and distribute the land.
- Joshua pictured:
 - Deliverer would have to have God's spirit.
 - How deliverer, the royal priesthood, would sacrifice its life to save mankind.
 - Deliverer would triumph over the other nations, over all their enemies to possess the promised land.

-- Help people inherit the kingdom.

