

## FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

### Faithfulness Through All Generations - Genesis 45:16-47:12 - "A Father's Hope in His Beloved Son"

1. Is there anything specific from this message that the Lord has impressed upon your heart?

If so, what is it & how do you feel the Lord calling you to respond?

2. Have you ever had a season of life or a situation in life in which you struggled to discern God's will for you and your life?

How did you work through that struggle and did you ultimately find clarity in what you were looking to discover?

Through that process, did you learn/discover anything else about yourself or about God?

Has what you learned changed anything about how you live or what you do when you don't know what to do?

3. How does God's clear favor upon Joseph result in great blessing for his entire family as they sojourn into Egypt?

Based on how the Egyptians viewed Hebrews AND how they viewed shepherds, why is this generosity so significant?

How does this gracious reception lay the framework for fulfillment of prophecies of the Lord for His people?

How does all of this reveal the sovereign hand of the Lord over all people at all times?

What practical impact does a right understanding of the sovereignty of God have in our lives?

4. As you read through the opening verses of Genesis 46, how does Jacob demonstrate the prioritization of worship in life?

How does choosing to worship the Lord result in Jacob having clarity as to what steps to take next?

When we choose to prioritize worshipping the Lord, how does it result in us knowing/living out God's will in our lives?

*\*Consider passages like Psalm 37:4, Romans 12:1-2, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, and Hebrews 13:20-21.*

5. Below are the "Today's Takeaways" from the sermon. Do any of these encourage, convict, or challenge you, & if so, how?

I've included the Scripture passages that I referenced with each point below: how do they relate to each takeaway?

***Jacob worships the Lord to learn His will in this!***

Wondering about the will of God for your life?

*Choose to worship the Lord & seek His direction!*

***Jacob's hope is restored by the life of His son!***

Struggling to find hope with challenges in life?

*There is eternal hope for us by faith in God's Son!*