

“Joseph and the Silver Cup”

Genesis 44

To bring healing in his family, Joseph had to deal with the sin committed 22 years earlier. This what this chapter is about. Proverbs 28:13

I. The brothers had a _____ of confidence. **V.1-5**

- A. The 11 brothers were _____ upon leaving Egypt. They hadn't been _____ for stealing the grain money. _____ had been released. _____ was safe. They had been honored _____ at a feast in the Prime Minister's Palace. Plus, they were traveling home _____.
- B. But all of this was a _____. They did not realize there was something _____ in one of their grain sacks.
- C. They also did not realize there was a large party on _____ in determined pursuit. Do you believe that you can _____ from GOD? Heb. 4:13 Do you really think that you can _____ from GOD?

II. The brothers were _____ by the inevitable. **V.6-13**

- A. _____ in Egypt and in many ancient cultures was an attempt to get _____ knowledge from supernatural powers other than the One True GOD. **V.5,15**
1. This practice was later _____ in the Mosaic Law. Lev. 19:26, Deut. 18:10,14
 2. Joseph used this for _____, but did not practice divination. The hidden knowledge that he needed was given to him by _____.
 3. Today the Body of CHRIST has the Holy Spirit and HIS _____. 1 Cor. 12,14 We need to _____ on HIM. 1 Cor, 14:1
- B. Silver is a symbol of _____. The purification process of refining silver is often used as a picture for the way GOD _____ us. Ps. 66:10, Ps. 12:6, Is. 48:10
- C. What is inside a cup, (your _____) is far more important than the cup itself. 1 Sam. 16:7, Prov. 4:23
- D. The Silver Cup will always be _____. It doesn't matter what it is _____, or how it is sealed up. Numbers 32:23

III. The Truth of the Brothers' _____ finally came out. **V.14-17**

- * Duplicity is _____, _____ something didn't happen, and _____ behind false words and actions.

- A. Judah stated, "GOD has found out the _____ of your servants" **V.16**
- B. What JESUS in Luke 12:1-5 said: "There is _____ covered up that will not be _____, and hidden that will not be _____."
- C. One day in the next life, everyone will have their Day in Court, before the _____. Rev. 20:11-15 Every person's _____ will be opened, and they will be judged from the things _____ in their book. (their _____, their deeds, their thoughts, and their _____)
- D. It is better in this Life to _____ your sins now, _____ of your sins, and _____ from your sins, than to be _____ in the Life to Come.

IV. Judah _____ and said on behalf of the family. **V.18-32**

- A. You told us that we could not return to Egypt without bringing the _____ of the brothers.
- B. But if we go back to Canaan somehow _____ the boy, my elderly father will die _____.
- C. I became a _____ for the safety of my brother to my father.
- D. If I do not return Benjamin to my father, I will bear _____ forever.

V. Judah made the _____. **V. 33-34**, John 15:17

- A. With courage, Judah asked, "Let your servant remain _____ of the boy, as a servant to my lord ... and let the boy _____ with his brothers."
- B. _____ will be judged one day, by a Holy GOD for our great sins of rebellion toward HIM. The Father has placed many _____ in our bags that need to be _____ for.
- C. What do we do? Do we wait until our bag is _____ open? Or do we _____ drop our bag to the ground, open it up _____, and reveal what is there?
- D. GOD's Judgement is _____. Heb. 10:31 But HIS Mercy is _____.
Lamentation 3:22-23

Psalm 139:23-24

