

## LESSON 55

# THE LAST DAYS OF JACOB AND JOSEPH

*Genesis 48:1-50:26*

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A Time for **Assembly**: *Introduction* to gather together through ice breaker (10 minutes)

For Starting Communication:

Share briefly a funeral you had attended that gave strong witness to the glory of God.



A Time for **Adoration**: *Inspiration* to worship God through invocation, thanksgiving, and reading the Scripture (25 minutes)

Suggested Songs:

*God of the Ages*, by Travis Doucette

*Mighty to Save*, by Reuben Morgan and Ben Fielding

Scripture Reading: Genesis 48:1-50:26



A Time for **Admonition**: *Instruction* to communicate one's investigation of the story (content), interpretation based on the setting (context), and integration of the two for the spiritual truth (concept) (50 minutes)

1. Before he died, what did Jacob give to Joseph (48:5,22)? Read 1 Chronicles 5:1-2.
2. What did God reveal through Jacob's blessing of Judah as a prophecy about the coming Messiah (49:8-12)?
3. What did Jacob fully realize at the end of his life as he gave his blessing to Joseph (49:22-26)?

4. How did Jacob affirm his trust in God to fulfill His covenant after Jacob died (49:29-33)?
5. What character of God did Joseph affirm before his brothers as they pleaded for mercy (50:20)?
6. What would the death of Jacob and Joseph remind the Israelites as they faced the future (50:5-8,12-14,26)?



A Time for **Accountability**: *Invitation* to apply the implication of the Scripture (connect), implementation of a specific action (conduct), and intercession for the saints/seekers (concern)  
*(about 35 minutes)*

1. What lessons or principles do we take away from our study of the book of Genesis? Share one or two that had the most impact on you.
2. What can the Growth Group plan to do in order to take action on the mandates of God that were given to us in the book of Genesis?
3. Pray for one another in the group. Share your personal needs or concerns with your accountability and prayer partners. These may include attitudes that need to be changed and personal applications of God's Word as studied in this lesson. Pray also for others outside the group who need to hear the Gospel.