

A Journey of Hope: The Life of Joseph

Genesis 37, 39-50





Egypt – Global Superpower of the Ancient World



1. Road to Maturity (Gen.37)
2. Tests of Integrity (Gen.39)
3. Acts of Trust and Dependability
(Gen.40-50)

Lessons from the Life of Joseph

1. ROAD TO MATURITY

- Spoilt (Genesis 37:3,4)
 - Coat of multicolours
- Carry tales of his brothers (Genesis 37:2)
- Entitled (Genesis 37:10-11)
- Boastful (Genesis 37:5-9)
 - His dreams

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Joseph's Life Timeline

Birth

Death



These are the records of the generations of Jacob. Joseph, when **seventeen years** of age, was pasturing the flock with his brothers while he was *still* a youth,...And Joseph brought back a bad report about them to their father. (Gen 37:2) **17 years**

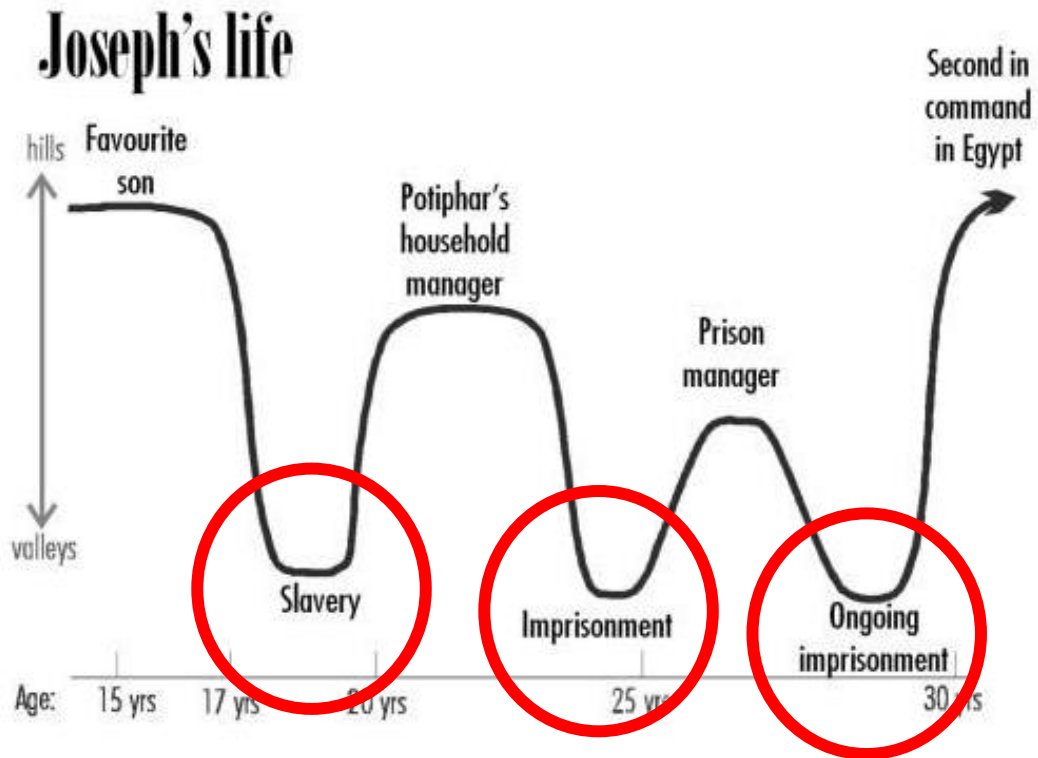
Now Joseph was **thirty years old** when he stood before Pharaoh, king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh and went through all the land of Egypt.(Genesis 41:46)

Now Joseph stayed in Egypt, he and his father's household, and Joseph lived **one hundred and ten years.** (Genesis 50:22,26)

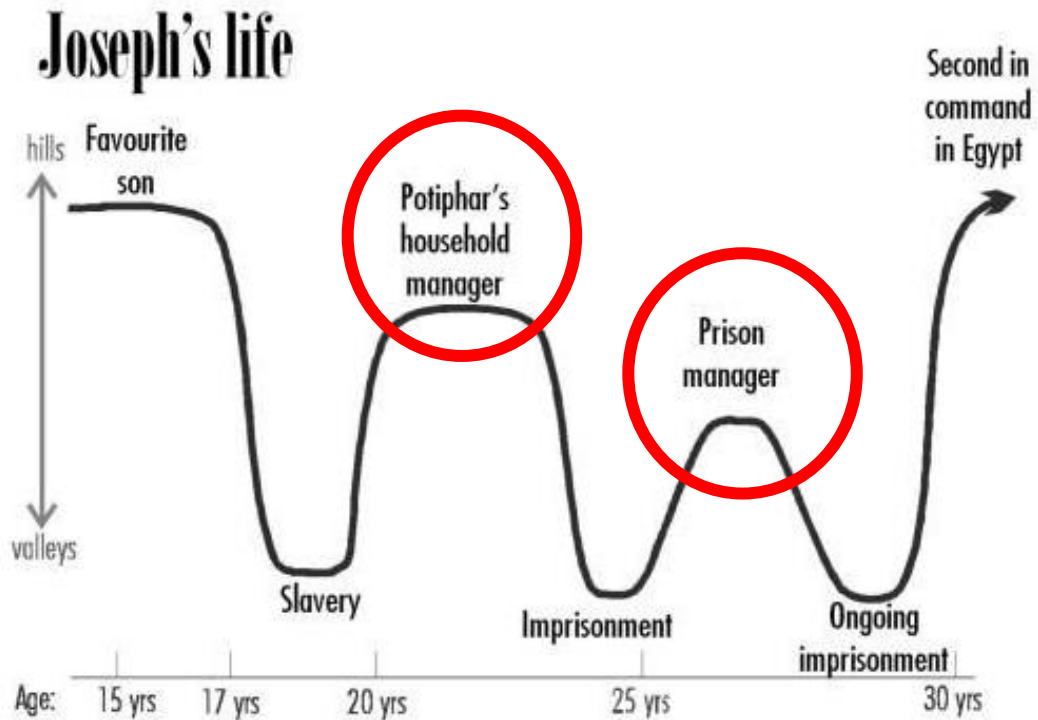
13 years

80 years as Pharaoh's second

1. ROAD TO MATURITY



2. TESTS OF INTEGRITY



- Joseph and Potiphar's wife (Genesis 39:1-20)
- Joseph placed in charge of the prison (Genesis 39:21-23)

Integrity

Ravi Zacharias





Proverbs 4:23 (NASB95)

23 Watch over your heart with all diligence,
For from it *flow* the springs of life.



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Gen.40





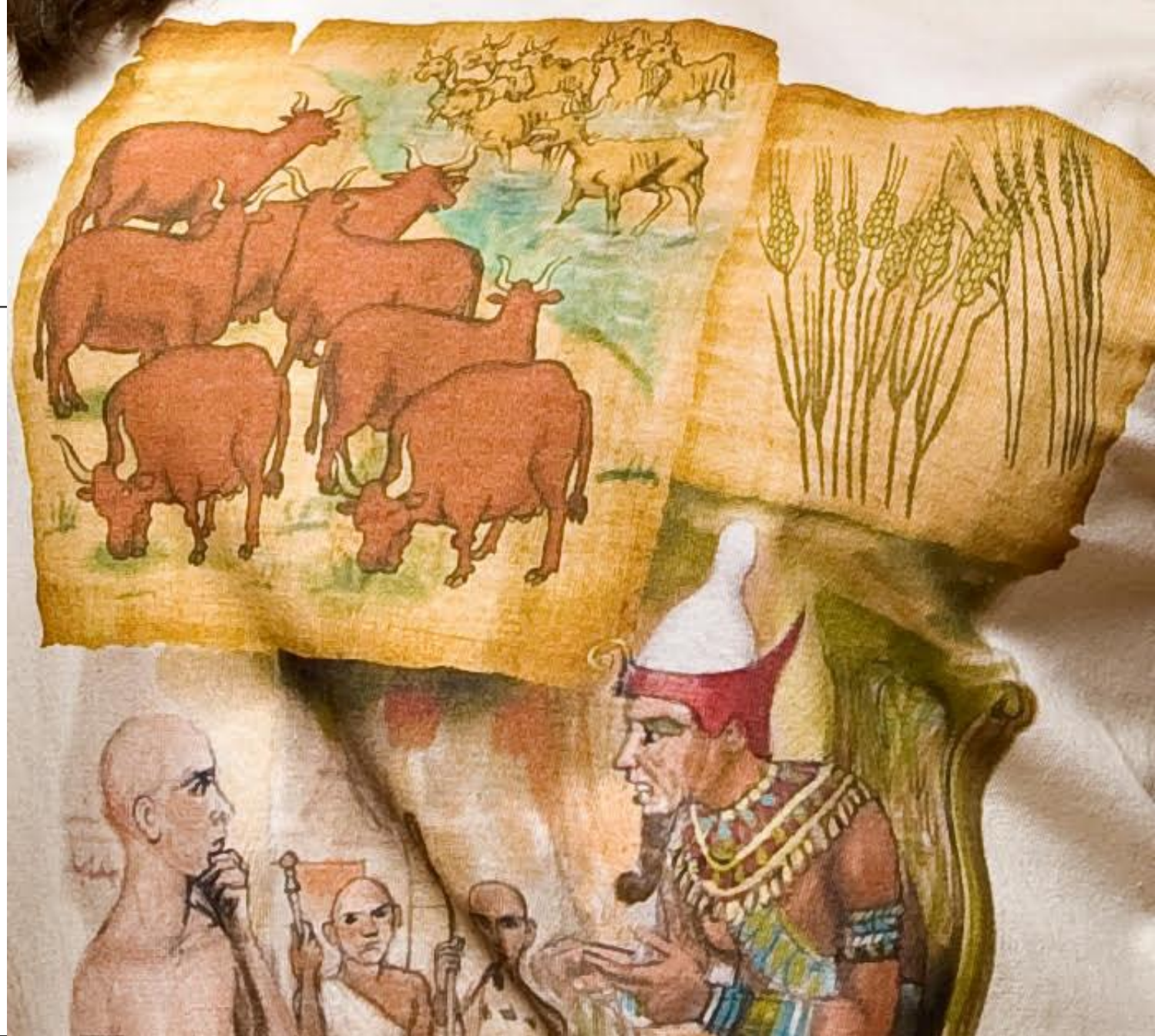
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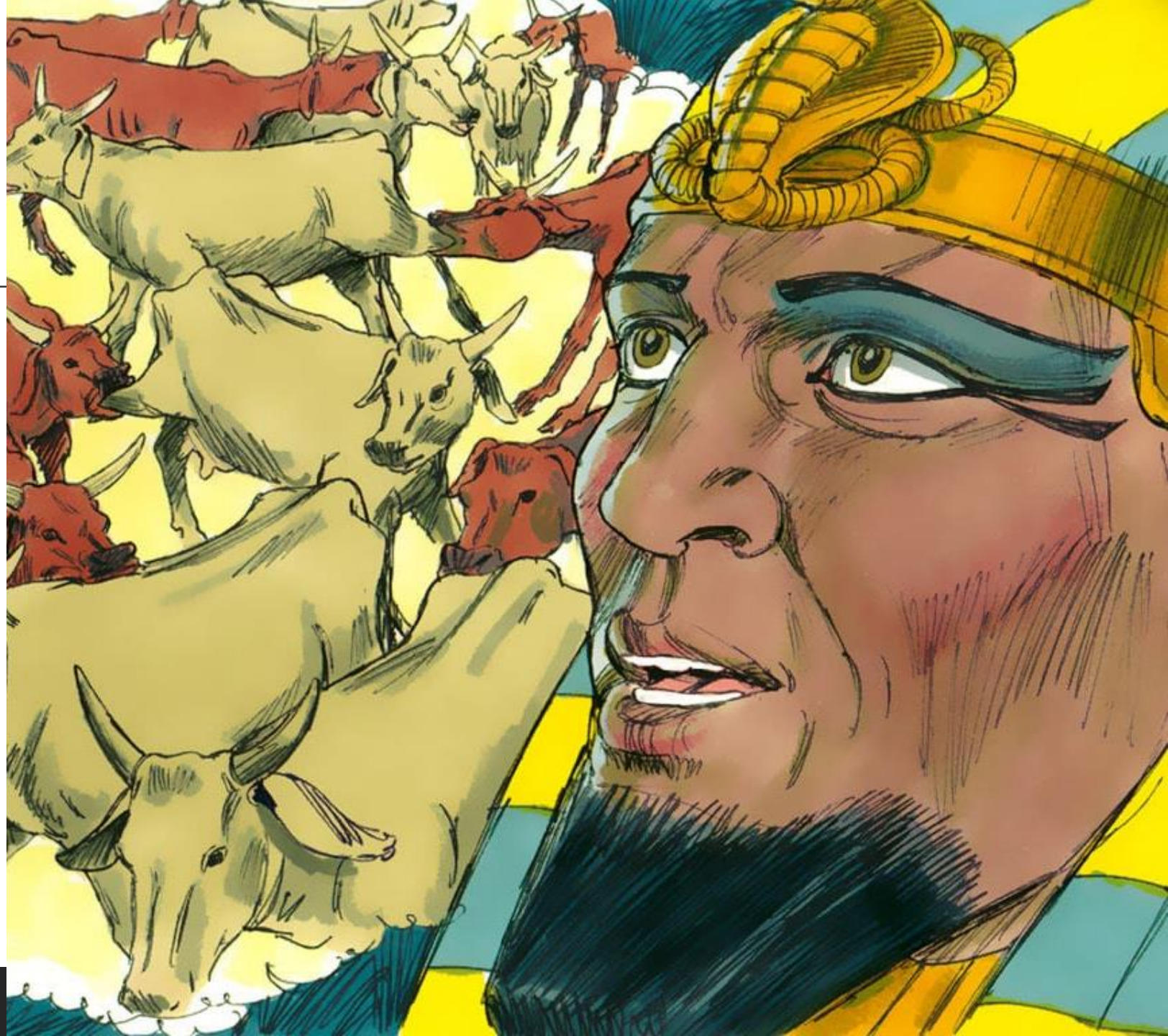
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3. ACTS OF TRUST AND DEPENDIBILITY

Joseph in Charge of Egypt (Gen 41:41-57)

Genesis 41:41-42 (NASB95)

Pharaoh said to Joseph, “See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt.” Then Pharaoh took off his signet ring from his hand and put it on Joseph’s hand, and clothed him in garments of fine linen and put the gold necklace around his neck.





Trust and Dependability in our
daily life

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Joseph stores grain for seven years of famine

Gen.41:1-40



Joseph's brothers come to buy grain in Egypt, but Joseph accuses them of being spies and tests them.

Gen.42:1-44



Joseph forgives his brothers.

Gen.45



Jacob comes to Egypt and he is reunited with Joseph. Joseph continues ruling, and Jacob and his other brothers live out the rest of their lives in Goshen

Gen.46-50

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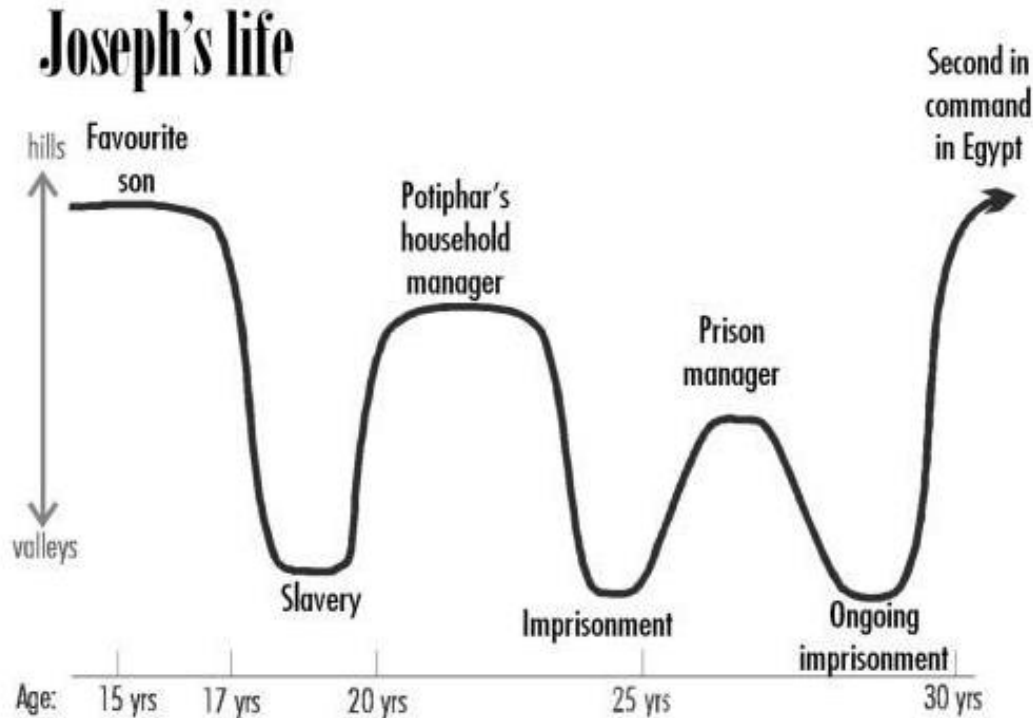
Joseph's life



A journey of HOPE

Genesis 50:20 (NASB95)

“As for you, you meant evil against me, but **God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive.**



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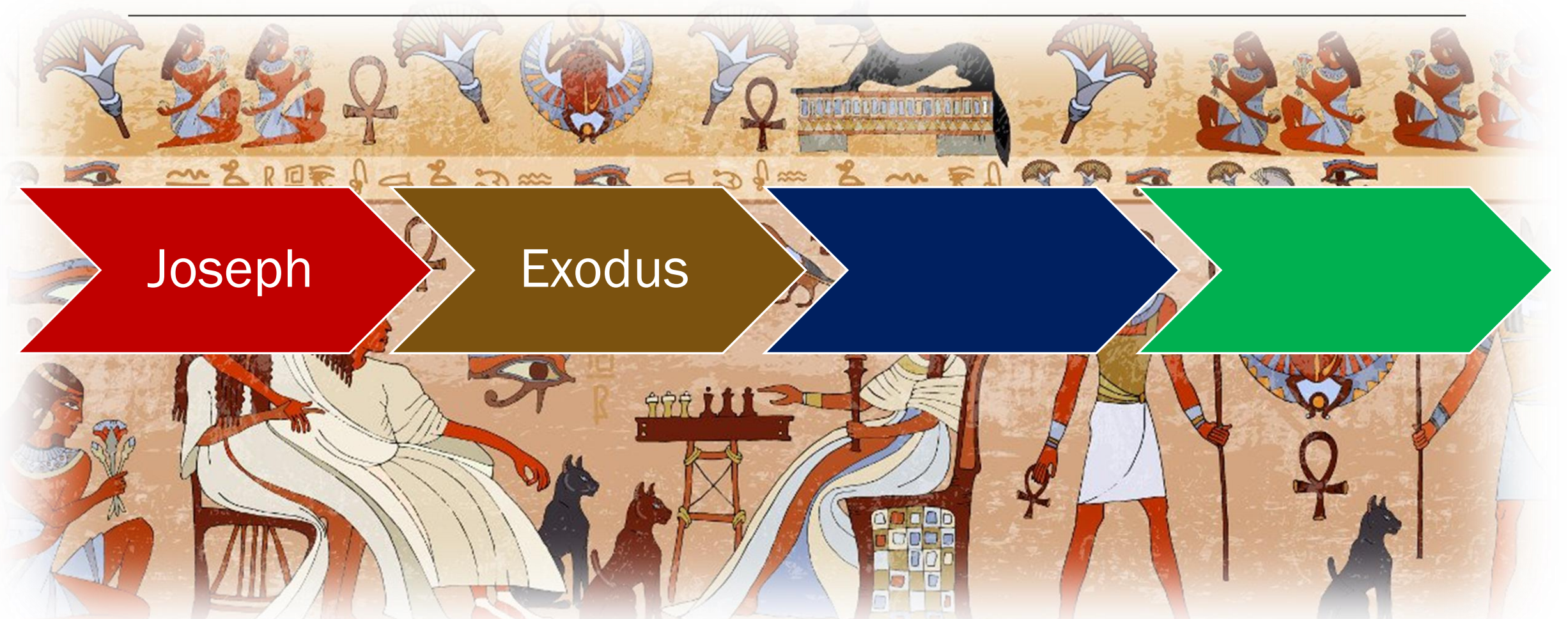


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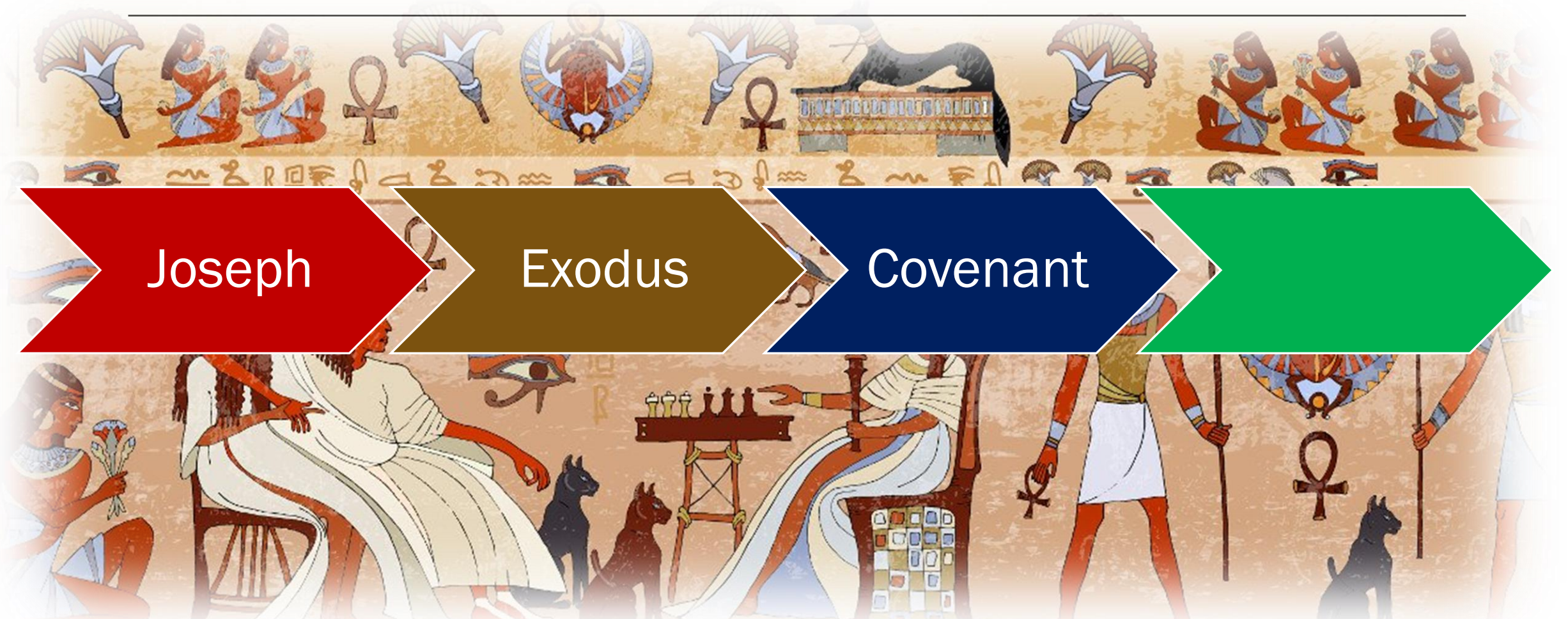
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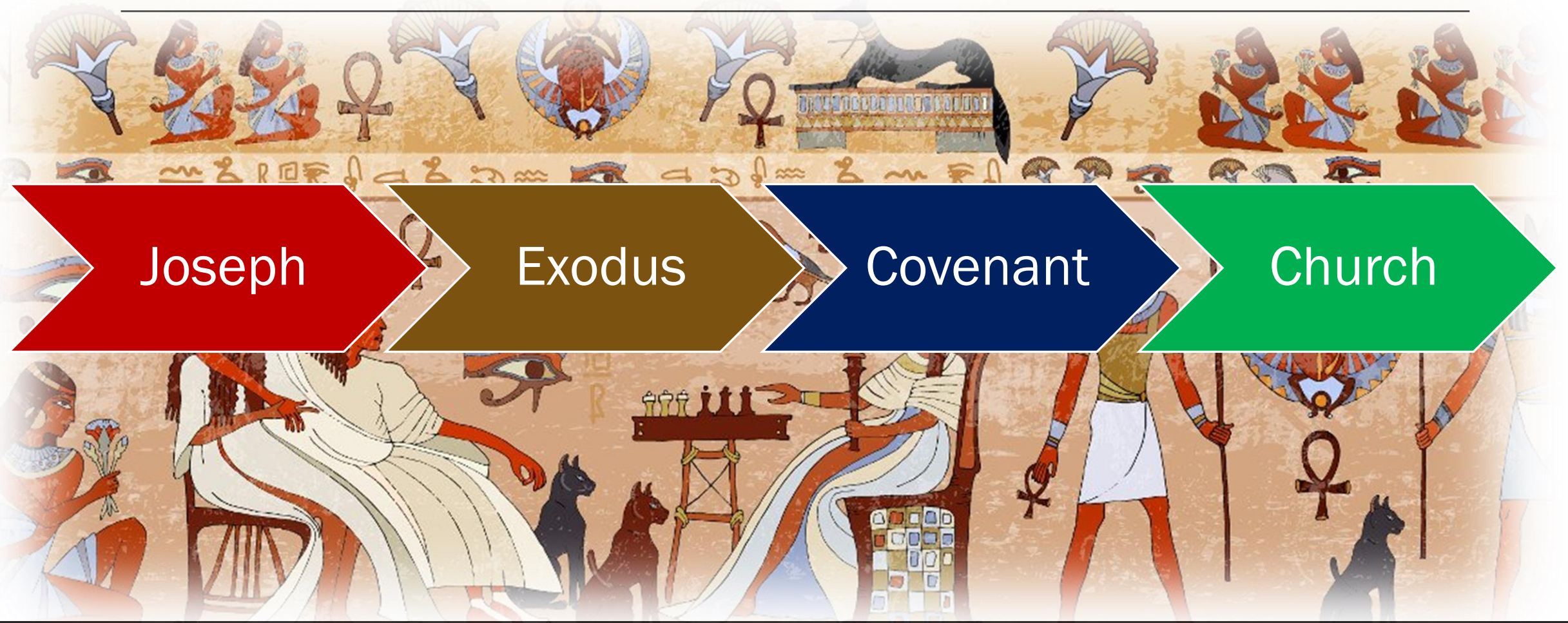


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