

## Congregation Notes Torah Portion Vayeshev

## The Fullness of the Gentiles and The Coming of the LORD! WHAT IS THE FULLL ESS OF THE GENTILES IN AN EVIL WORLD?

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Gen. 37:1-40:23; Amos 2:6-3:8; Matt. 1:18-25

\*Genesis 37:1-4 Now <u>Jacob dwelt</u> in the land where his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan. <sup>2</sup> This is the history of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brothers. And the lad was with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and <u>Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father.</u> <sup>3</sup> Now Israel loved <u>Joseph more than all his children</u>, because he was the son of his old age. Also he made him a <u>tunic of many colors</u>. <sup>4</sup> But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peaceably to him.

\*Genesis 37:5 Now Joseph had a dream, and he told it to his brothers; and they hated him even more.

\*Genesis 38:6-8 So he said to them, "Please hear this dream which I have dreamed: <sup>7</sup> There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Then behold, my sheaf arose and also stood upright; and indeed your sheaves stood all around and bowed down to my sheaf." And his brothers said to him, "Shall you indeed reign over us? Or shall you indeed have dominion over us?" So they hated him even more for his dreams and for his words.

\*Genesis 37:11 <u>Jealous of him were his brothers</u> but his father retained in his mind the matter.

\*Genesis 37:17 And the man said, They have departed from here, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan. So Joseph went after his brothers and found them in Dothan.

\*John 5:17-18 But Yeshua answered them, "To this very day My Father is at His work, and I too am working." Therefore because of this, the <u>Jews were seeking the more to kill Him</u>, because <u>not only was He breaking the Sabbath, but also He was calling God His own</u>
Father, making Himself equal to God.

\*Genesis 37:19-21 Here comes that dreamer!" they said to one another. 20 <u>Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. We can say that a vicious animal has devoured him</u>. Then we shall see what becomes of his dreams!" 21 When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue Joseph from their hands. "Let us not take his life, he said....

- \*Genesis 37:23 So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe the robe of many colors he was wearing -24and they took him and threw him into the pit. Now the pit was empty, with no water in it....
- \*Jeremiah 17:7 Blessed is the man who trusts (bitachon) in the LORD, and whose confidence (bitachon) is the LORD.
- \*Genesis 37:25-28 And as they sat down to eat a meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were carrying spices, balm, and myrrh on their way down to Egypt. 26 Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? 27Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay a hand on him; for he is our brother, our own flesh." And they agreed.... 28So when the Midianite traders passed by, his brothers pulled Joseph out of the pit and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt....
- \*Genesis 39:1-5b;7-9 Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. And Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him down there. <sup>2</sup> The LORD was with Joseph, and he was a successful man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. <sup>3</sup> And his master saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD made all he did to prosper in his hand. <sup>4</sup> So Joseph found favor in his sight, and served him. Then he made him overseer of his house, and all that he had he put under his authority. <sup>5</sup> So it was, from the time that he had made him overseer of his house and all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake;......Now Joseph was handsome in form and appearance.
- And it came to pass after these things that his master's wife cast longing eyes on Joseph, and she said, "Lie with me." But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, my master does not know what is with me in the house, and he has committed all that he has to my hand. There is no one greater in this house than I, nor has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?"
- \*Genesis 39:20-23 Then Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were confined. And he was there in the prison. <sup>21</sup> But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him mercy, and He gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. <sup>22</sup> And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners who were in the prison; whatever they did there, it was his doing. <sup>23</sup> The keeper of the prison did not look into anything that was under Joseph's authority, because the LORD was with him; and whatever he did, the LORD made it prosper.
- \*Isaiah 45:7 I form the light, and create darkness; I make peace, and <u>create evil; I am the LORD, that does all these things</u>.

- \*Isaiah 59:4-6 No one calls for justice; no one pleads his case honestly. They rely on empty pleas; they tell lies; they conceive mischief and give birth to iniquity. They hatch the eggs of vipers and weave a spider's web. Whoever eats their eggs will die; crack one open, and a viper is hatched. 6Their cobwebs cannot be made into clothing, and they cannot cover themselves with their works. Their deeds are sinful deeds, and acts of violence are in their hands....
- \*Genesis 38:1 It came to pass at that time that Judah departed from his brothers, and visited a certain Adullamite whose name was Hirah. <sup>2</sup> And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite whose name was Shua, and he married her and went into her.
- \*Genesis 38:12-18 After a long time Judah's wife, the daughter of Shua, died. When Judah had finished mourning, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite went up to his sheep shearers at Timnah. 13When Tamar was told, "Your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep,"... 13When Tamar was told, "Your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep," 14she removed her widow's garments, covered her face with a veil to disguise herself, and sat at the entrance to Enaim, which is on the way to Timnah. For she saw that although Shelah had grown up, she had not been given to him as a wife. 15When Judah saw her, he thought she was a prostitute because she had covered her face.... 16Not realizing that she was his daughter-in-law, he went over to her and said, "Come now, let me sleep with you." "What will you give me for sleeping with you?" she inquired. 17 I will send you a young goat from my flock, Judah answered. But she re; lied, Only if you leave me something as a pledge until you send it. 18 What pledge should I give you? he asked. She answered, "Your seal and your cord, and the staff in your hand." So he gave them to her and slept with her, and she became pregnant by him....
- \*Genesis 38:24-26 And it came to pass, about three months after, that Judah was told, saying, "Tamar your daughter-in-law has played the harlot; furthermore she is with child by harlotry." So Judah said, "Bring her out and let her be burned!"<sup>25</sup> When she was brought out, she sent to her father-in-law, saying, "By the man to whom these belong, I am with child." And she said, "Please determine whose these are—the signet and cord, and staff -26 So Judah acknowledged them and said, "She has been more righteous than I, because I did not give her to Shelah my son." And he never knew her again.
- \*Matthew 1:3a is part of Yeshua's genealogy, stating: <u>Judah begat Perez and Zerah of</u> Tamar;
- \*Isaiah 60:2\_For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the <u>Lord will arise over you</u>, <u>And His glory will be seen upon you</u>.
- \*Genesis 37:29-36 Then Reuben returned to the pit, and indeed Joseph was not in the pit; and he tore his clothes.  $^{30}$  And he returned to his brothers and said, "The lad is no more; and I, where shall I go?"

- 31 So they took Joseph's tunic, killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the tunic in the blood. 32 Then they sent the tunic of many colors, and they brought it to their father and said, "We have found this. Please, do you know whether it is your son's tunic or not?" 33 And he recognized it and said, "It is my son's tunic. A wild beast has devoured him. Without doubt Joseph is torn to pieces." 34 Then Jacob tore his clothes, put sackcloth on his waist, and mourned for his son a long time. 35 And all his sons and all his daughters arose to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted, and he said, "For I shall go down into the grave to my son in mourning." Thus his father wept for him.
- \*Genesis 31:39 I did not bring you animals torn by wild beasts; I bore the loss myself.
- 2 Samuel 12:16-20 16 David therefore sought God on behalf of the child. And David Ifasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. 17 And the elders of his house stood beside him, to raise him from the ground, but he would not, nor did he eat food with them. 18 On the seventh day the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they said, "Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he did not listen to us. How then can we say to him the child is dead? He may do himself some harm." 19 But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David understood that the child was dead. And David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" They said, "He is dead." 20 Then David arose from the earth and washed and anointed himself and changed his clothes. And he went into the house of the Lord and worshiped. He then went to his own house. And when he asked, they set food before him, and he ate.
- \*Jeremiah 31:15-17 This is what the LORD says: A voice is heard in Ramah, Mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children <u>refusing to be comforted</u>, <u>because her children are no more</u>. This is what the LORD says: Restrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears, For your work will be rewarded, says the LORD. They will return from the land of the enemy. <u>So there is hope for your future</u>, declares the LORD, <u>Your children will return to their own land</u>.
- \*Isaiah 45:7 I form light and I create darkness; I make shalom <u>and create evil</u>. <u>I God do all</u> these things.
- \*Matthew 24:11 Then many <u>false prophets will rise up and deceive many</u>. And because <u>lawlessness will abound</u>, the love of many will grow cold.
- \*Matthew 24:24 For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible even the elect.
- \*Romans 11:24-26 For if you were cut from a wild olive tree, and contrary to nature were grafted into one that is cultivated, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree! 25 I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers, so that you will not be conceited: A hardening in part has come to Israel, until

the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. 26And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The Deliverer will come from Zion: He will remove godlessness from Jacob.

\*Romans 21:20-21 On the contrary, "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink. For in so doing, you will heap burning coals on his head. <u>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good</u>.

\*Matthew 5:44 But I say to you, <u>love your enemies</u>, <u>bless those who curse you</u>, <u>do good to those who hate you</u>, and <u>pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you</u>,"

\*Romans 12:19 Do not avenge your selves, beloved, but leave room for God's wrath. For it is written, "Vengeance is Mine; I will repay, says the Lord."

\*Romans 11:25-26 For I do not desire, brethren that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel <a href="UNTIL THE FULLNESS OF THE GENTILES HAS COME IN. AND SO ALL ISRAEL WILLBE SAVED">UNTIL THE FULLNESS OF THE GENTILES HAS COME IN. AND SO ALL ISRAEL WILL BE SAVED, AS IT IS WRITTEN.</a>

\*Matthew 28:19 Then Yeshua came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. 19 therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

\*Mark 16:15 And He said to them, Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.