

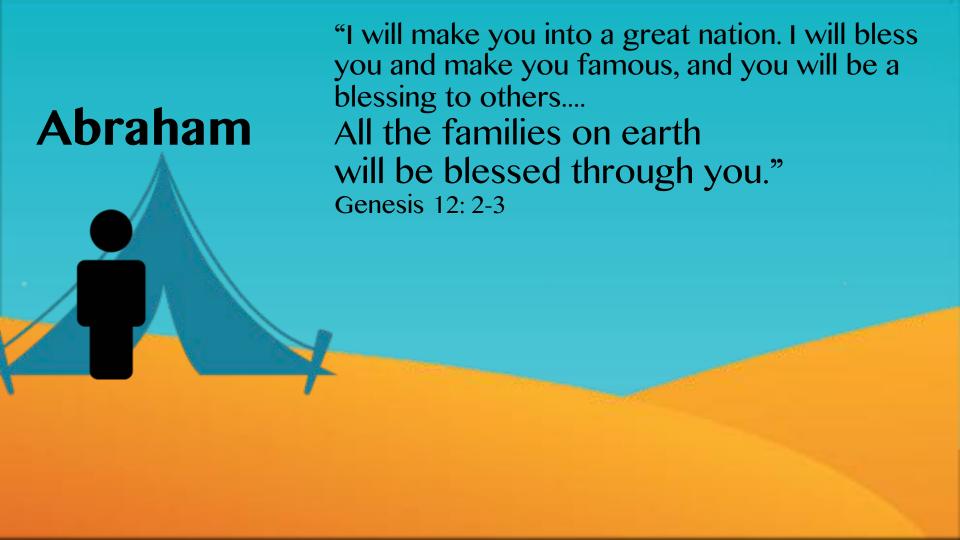


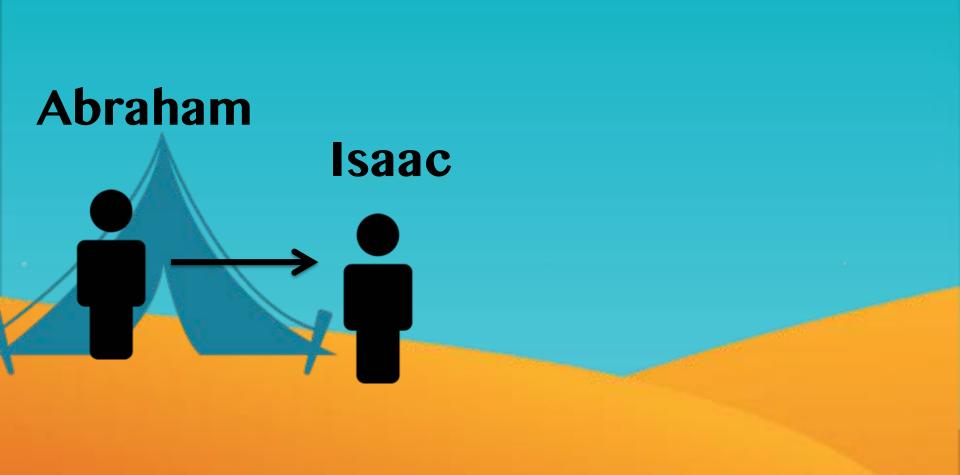
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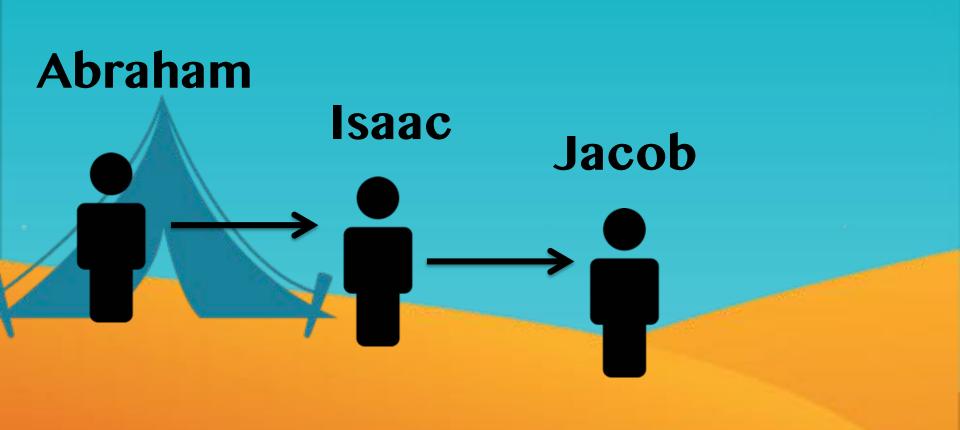
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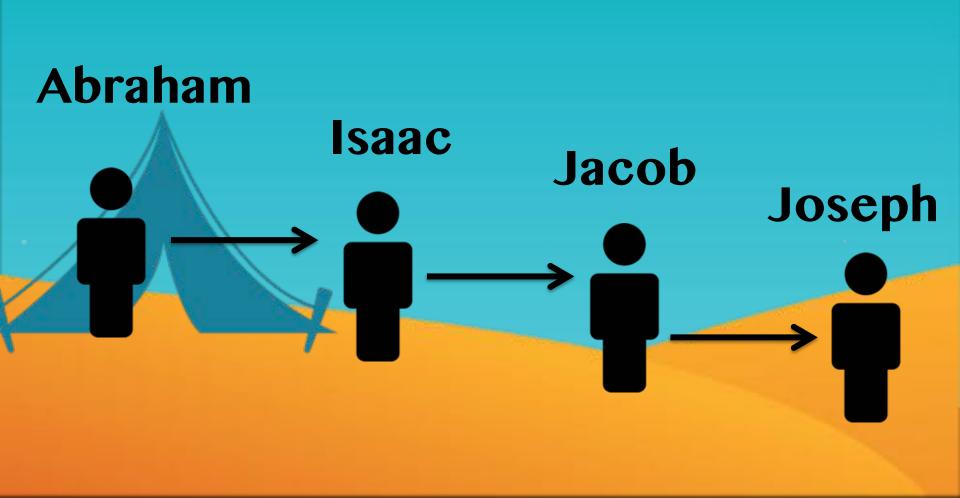
GENESIS 37:2















"If God will indeed be with me and protect me on this journey, and if he will provide me with food and clothing, and if I return safely to my father's home, then the Lord will certainly be my God." Genesis 28: 20 - 21



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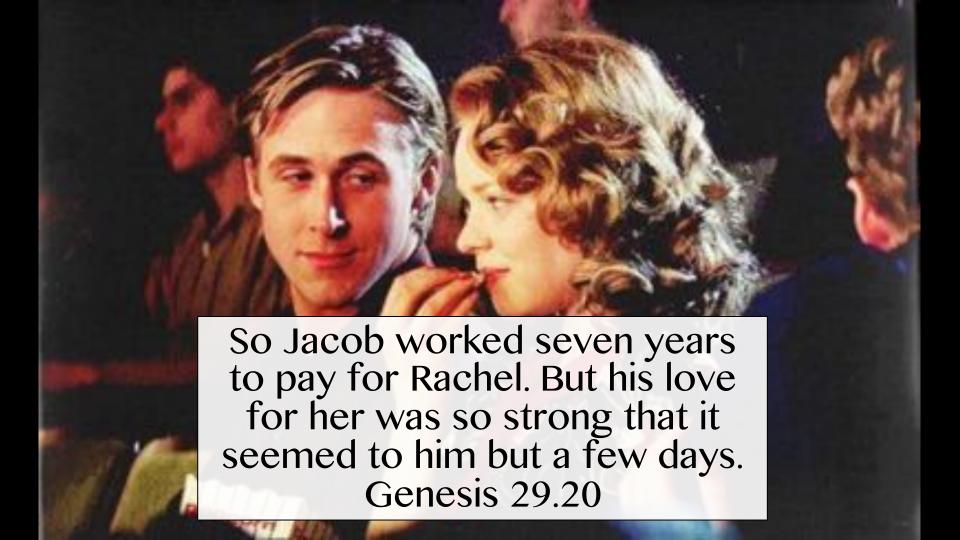


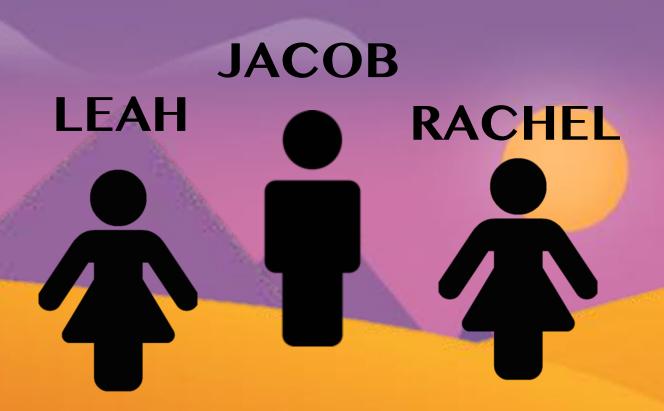


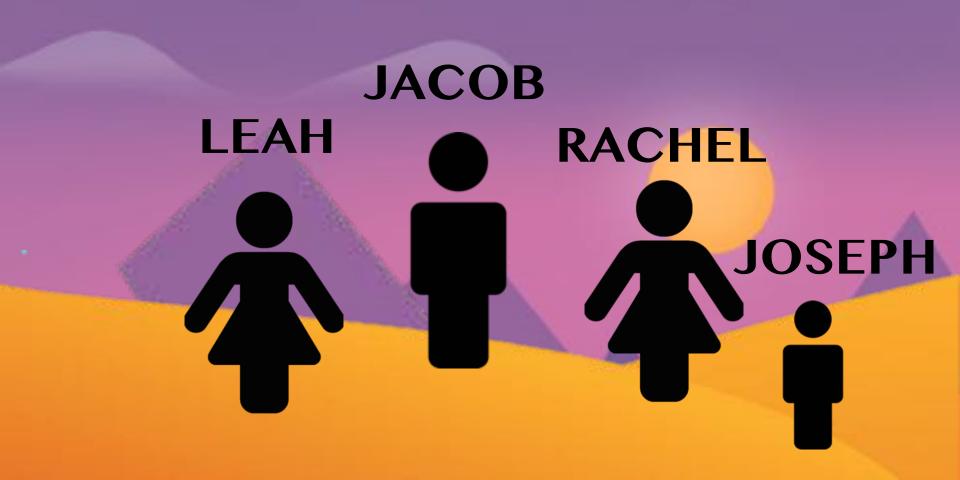


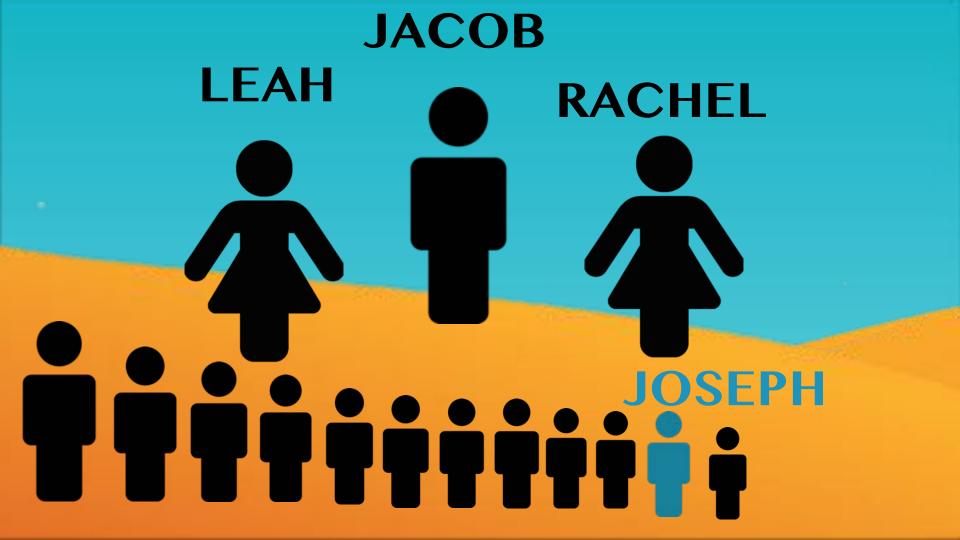












This is the account of Jacob and his family. When Joseph was seventeen years old, he often tended his father's flocks. He worked for his half brothers, the sons of his father's wives Bilhah and Zilpah. But Joseph reported to his father some of the bad things his brothers were doing.



Jacob loved Joseph more than any of his other children because Joseph had been born to him in his old age. So one day Jacob had a special gift made for Joseph—a beautiful robe.
But his brothers hated Joseph because their father loved him more than the rest of them. They couldn't say a kind word to him. TTTTTT

One night Joseph had a dream, and when he told his brothers about it, they hated him more than ever.

"Listen to this dream," he said.

"We were out in the field, tying up bundles of grain. Suddenly my bundle stood up, and your bundles all gathered around and bowed low before mine!"



His brothers responded, "So you think you will be our king, do you? Do you actually think you will reign over us?" And they hated him all the more because of his dreams and the way he talked about them.



Soon Joseph had another dream, and again he told his brothers about it.

"Listen, I have had another dream," he said. "The sun, moon, and eleven stars bowed low before me!"



This time he told the dream to his father as well as to his brothers, but his father scolded him.

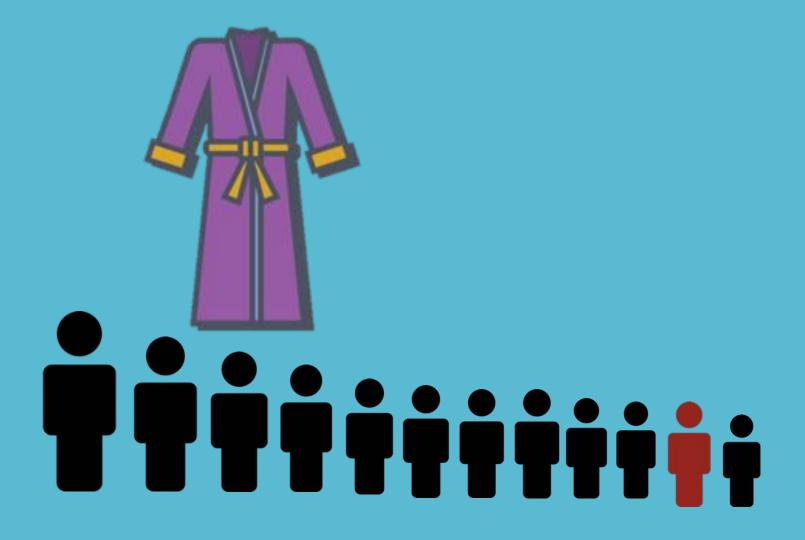
"What kind of dream is that?" he asked. "Will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow to the ground before you?"

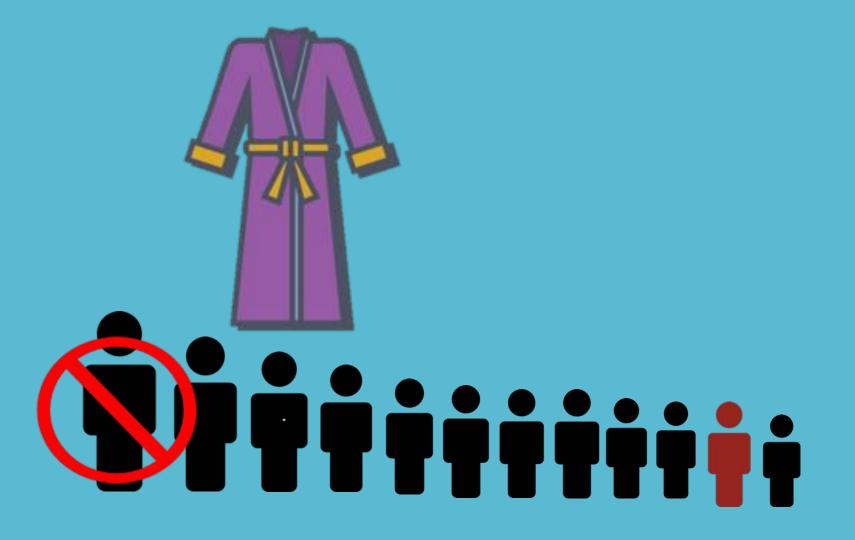
But while his brothers were jealous of Joseph, his father wondered what the dreams meant.

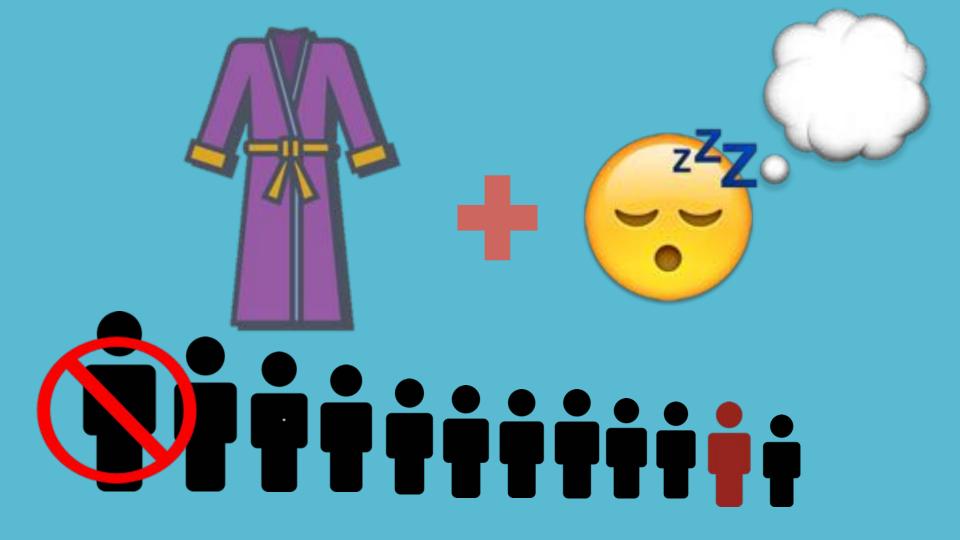












Romans 5: 1 - 2

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory



Hebrews 6: 19

This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls...



'People do not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

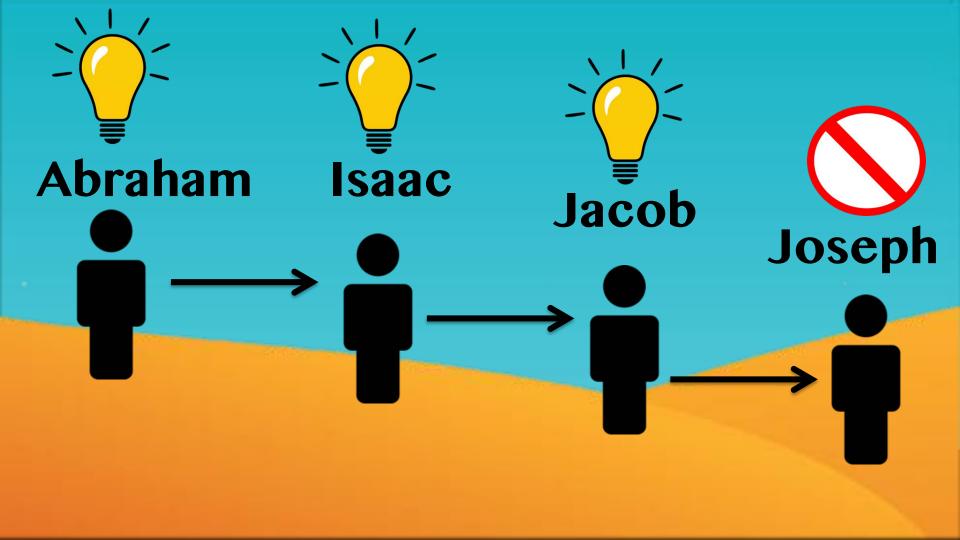
Matt 4:4



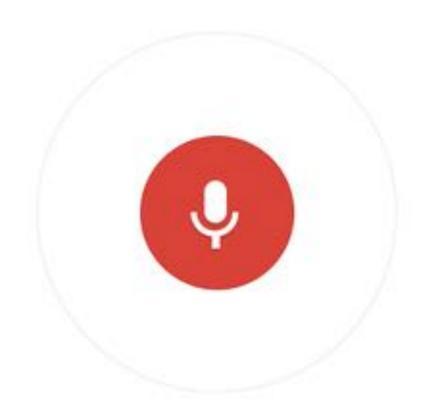
"You are the light of the world-like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden... In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father." Matthew 5:14,16







Listening...



...the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice.

"I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep, and they know me



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...I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also. They will listen to my voice, and there will be one flock with one shepherd. John 10



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