

# “God meant it for good”

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STUDY 20

Reading: Genesis 47:7-26



## *Settlers; yet Sojourners*

### Home Fellowship Group Bible Study Questions

Tuesday 19th/Wednesday 20th September 2017

**Read: Genesis 47:7-12**

- 1) In verse 7 something unexpected happens. Why does Jacob bless Pharaoh; rather than the other way around?
- 2) What can we understand from the exchange between Pharaoh and Jacob in verses 8 and 9?

**Joseph must have rejoiced as he reflected on God's hand in his sufferings and experiences in order that his family might be preserved. What he had dreamed about 20 years earlier had come to pass. God's plans were being worked out.**

**Read: Genesis 47:13-26**

- 3) What do verses 13-26 tell us about Joseph's skill in governing Egypt during the famine.
- 4) How is Joseph seen as the saviour of the country?
- 5) How would you contrast the situation of the Israelites and the Egyptians at this point?
- 6) What are the advantages of the Israelites having their own land? How does that show God's hand on them as a nation?