

Yoseph Over Mitsrayim, Revealed To Brothers, & Sends For Yisra'el

Genesis 41:39-45:28

Reading Questions

1. What is a seal ring or ring of a king or ruler used for and what does it mean when it is given to someone else as shown in Genesis 41:42?

Reading Answers

1. A specific ring of a king or ruler known as a seal ring and is used for signing a written law or sealing a written letter so that it is clear that the command or letter being sent is directly from the ruler of the land, whether it be a king, Pharaoh, etc.. When Paroh (Pharaoh) gave Yoseph the ring in Genesis 41:42, this is basically showing that he is giving Yoseph the authority to give whatever commands and make whatever laws, etc. that he wanted to for the whole nation.

Reading Notes

- I remember seeing a documentary one time showing the big caverns used to store the grain believed to have been used by Yoseph in Mitsrayim (Egypt). If someone searched the internet they can see what evidence is shown. One example is http://creationwiki.org/Joseph_and_Imhotep which has a picture of one of the deep caverns believed to have been used to store grain, etc..
- As I read this, and see the fear and emotions going between the brothers and Ya'aqov during the events before they knew it was Yoseph, it just makes me think of how this whole time **יהוה** had a plan of good for them all. It can be so hard for us when we don't know how things are going to work out. May **יהוה** help us to just trust in Him, that He has a good plan for us, and not be afraid.
- It is amazing to see how Yoseph attributed him being sent to Mitsrayim to **יהוה** in Genesis 45:8. This just shows the faith in **יהוה** and the recognition that this was all just a part of **יהוה**'s plan for the better of all. May **יהוה** help us to just trust in Him and know that all things are working for the better of all of us His children, even if it means we must go through periods of bondage or trials or struggles or pain.

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