

## The Sale of Joseph

Kesher/Remez = Hyperlinks

5 Kesher in the story of the Sale of Joseph

1. Genesis 37:13 "Here I am"/*Heneini*
  - a. Heneini means "ready for the mission" - Always ends in doom
2. Genesis 37:14 "Go please"/
3. Genesis 37:18 "Coming from afar"
4. Genesis 37:21 "Don't take his life" / "Don't stretch out your hand against him"
  - a. Joseph is saved at the last minute by Reuben.
  - b. Reuben plays the role of an angel/protector
5. Genesis 37:25 "Lifted up their eyes"
  - a. An alternative to death to save Joseph

These connect to the story of sacrifice of Isaac (Gen. 22)

1. Genesis 22:1 *Heneini*
2. Genesis 22:2 "Go Please"
3. Genesis 22:4 "Looked up from afar"
4. Genesis 22:12 "Do not stretch your hand out against him"
  - a. An angel intervened
5. Genesis 22:13 "Lifted his eyes"
  - a. An alternative to death

What does this mean? It's the same kind of story.

Joseph is called an anticipatory Christ - a shadow/type/picture of Christ

1. Both were shepherds
  - a. Abel/Jacob/Joseph/Moses/David
  - b. Rabbis say there were six shepherds including the False Shepherd (Zechariah 11:16-17)
    - i. False Shepherd was the sixth shepherd mentioned in the OT
    - ii. "Six" was an incomplete number to the Jews
    - iii. The Seventh shepherd in Scripture was Jesus--the Good Shepherd
2. Distinctive Coats
  - a. Matthew 27:35
3. Both were hated by brothers
  - a. John 1:11, 5:18
    - i. They hated both for who they were and for what they said
4. Both had future sovereignty foretold
  - a. Matthew 26:64
5. Both are sent forth by their father
  - a. Why would Joseph's father send them on a mission to people who hated him?
  - b. God sent Jesus on the same kind of mission

6. Both seek until they find
  - a. See Genesis 37:15. Some rabbis believe this “man” was an angel
  - b. Jesus came to seek and save the lost
7. Both were conspired against
  - a. Mt. 12:14
8. Words were disbelieved
  - a. Mt 21:27
9. Insulted and stripped
  - a. Mt. 27:27
10. Cast in a pit
  - a. Psalm 88
  - b. Genesis 37:24
  - c. Joseph may have been in the pit for three days
11. Sold
  - a. Judas is the greek version of Hebrew name Judah
  - b. Matthew 26:14-16
  - c. Judah was the one who bargained the price and sold his brother
12. Blood presented to the father as a picture of sin
  - a. Heb. 9:12
13. Tempted but didn't sin
  - a. Joseph in Potiphar's house
14. Falsely accused of a crime
  - a. Matt. 16
  - b. Neither was given a verdict
15. No defense was presented
16. Put in prison
17. Suffered, though they were innocent
  - a. Gen. 39:20
18. Suffered at the hands of Gentiles
19. Won respect of the Jailer
  - a. (“Surely this is the son of God”)
20. Numbered among the transgressors
  - a. Joseph imprisoned with Cupbearer and Baker
  - b. One turns, one saves him
  - c. One thief mocks Jesus, the other believes
21. Makes predictions that come true
22. Seen as a revealer of secrets
23. Seated at the right hand of power
24. 30 Years old when they began their service
  - a. Gen. 31:46
25. Father tore cloth
  - a. Jacob did in mourning
  - b. Temple veil was torn

26. Bread of life

- a. Joseph saves nation by giving bread/wheat
- b. Jesus is the Bread of Life