

His Story

Intro video:

Creation does not end in a coffin...

Genesis is not the beginning of history it is the beginning of His story...

Problem:

Jn 8:56-59

The actual characters in Genesis knew what Genesis was about

Lk 24:25-27,

Moses and the prophets knew what Genesis was about

Luke 24:44-48

The apostles knew what Genesis was about

Jn 5:39-40

Do you know what Genesis is about

The last paragraph of Genesis sum up the life of a truly successful man.

Oh what a great sermon I could preach on this subject - let me do that now-

True success is seen in family, faith and.....funerals?

is this what Genesis is about?????

Is it merely moralisms about obituaries, final words, and coffins...or something more?

Main Idea:

Genesis does not end with an obituary- it ends with offspring

Genesis does not end with final words - it ends with faith

Genesis does not end with a coffin - it ends with a covenant

Implication:

What about the chapter about your relationships? Your success tips? Your leadership skills?

Thats not the story you need.

deut 6:20-24 (moses sees one cohesive arc from the exodus to his present day)

Josh 24:2-13 (Joshus saw one cohesive story from Abraham to his present day)

Ps 78 (the psalmist saw one cohesive story from the exodus to present day)

Acts 7:2-50 (stephen saw one cohesive story from Abraham to present day)

Acts 13:17-41 (Paul saw one cohesive story from genesis to Jesus)

All of history is His story

Application:

This is the story we study, this is the story we need, this is the story we tell

For it is His story that saves, His story that sanctifies, His story that glorifies.

Outro video: we finished genesis - welcome to the Story of God

Articles for further study:

<https://www.gotquestions.org/metanarrative.html>

<https://factsandtrends.net/2014/01/28/four-reasons-to-preach-the-bible-as-one-story/>

<http://www.barabbas.com/messages/the-wrong-hero/>

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Text:

Genesis does not end with an obituary - it ends with offspring

Gen. 50:22 ¶ So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father's house. Joseph lived 110 years.

Gen. 50:23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's **children** of the third generation. The **children** also of Machir the **son** of Manasseh were counted as Joseph's own.

Prov 17:6 (about more than an obituary)

Gen 1:22, 28 (the blessing of Gen 1 survived the fall the flood and the repeated failures of sinful men)

Psalms 128 (survived sterility of Sarah the barrenness of Rebekah)

Matt 1:21 (survived the curse of eve- it is a story bigger than Joseph)

Isa 53:10 (its your story too...but its bigger than you too)

Genesis does not end with final words - it ends with faith

Gen. 50:24 And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die, but God will **visit (intervene)** you and bring you up out of this land to the land that he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Gen. 50:25 Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying, "God will surely **visit (intervene)** you, and you shall carry up my bones from here."

ex 13:19 (it does not end in Egypt but in the hope of exodus)

Josh 24:32 (it does not end with the hope of Egypt but in the possession of the promised land)

Gen 15:13-14 - Heb 11:13-16 (it ends with faith)

Heb 11:22 (most memorable act of his life)

Luke 1:68 (visit - it is a story bigger than Joseph)

Heb 11:39-40 (its your story too...but its bigger than you too)

Genesis does not end with a coffin - it ends with a covenant

Gen. 50:26 So Joseph died, being 110 years old. They embalmed him, and he was put in a **coffin (ark -aron)** in Egypt.

Deut 10:5 (bigger than a coffin- ends with a witness)

Ex 25:8-10 (pictures the presence of God Himself)

Ex 25:17-22 (a reminder God would visit/intervene personally)

John 20:12 (bigger than a seat)

Heb 9:1-5, 11-15, 23-28 (Genesis is not the beginning of history but the beginning of His story)

Rev 21:1-5 (the story of Creation does not end in a coffin it ends with Christ who is making all things new)

Rev 22:12-13, 20 (Joseph got it...its His story and its not over yet)

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