



GENESIS 45

The Providence of God

“In the infinite wisdom of the Lord of all the earth, each event falls with exact precision into its proper place in the unfolding of His divine plan. Nothing, however small, however strange, occurs without His ordering or without its particular fitness for its place in the working out of His purpose; and the end of all shall be the manifestation of His glory, and the accumulation of His praise.” (AW Pink, *The Sovereignty of God*)

As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. (Genesis 50:20)

The Background (Genesis 37-44)

Joseph _____ his brothers by speaking roughly to them, accusing them of espionage, holding Simeon as a ransom, and framing Benjamin (Genesis 43-44).

Judah begged the governor not to keep Benjamin from his father and offered himself as a _____ (44:33-34).

The Revelation

Joseph commanded his officers to leave him alone with his brothers and revealed his real _____ (45:1-3).

Joseph attributed his brothers' actions to God's _____ hand and to their own _____ (45:4-5).

Joseph revealed his _____ to save the lives of his brothers (45:6-15).

Joseph commanded his brothers not to _____ along the way (45:24).

God's Providence

God provided for His people through the favor of _____ (45:16-20).

God provided for His people by putting _____ in a place of authority (45:21-23).

The Gospel

The _____ made a way for _____ and rejuvenation (45:25-28).

Joseph _____ his brothers and _____ them before they knew it was Joseph (John 1:10-13, 3:16).

Joseph _____ his brothers and _____ them before they knew they needed salvation (Romans 8:28-30).