

Review Questions

- 1. What distinction does Joseph have according to Inspiration?** (Joseph stands prominent among the few characters of whom Inspiration recorded no fault. Page 339)
- 2. What part of Jacob's birthright went to Judah?** (Judah perfected such a character that the honor of being the progenitor of Christ was bestowed upon him. Page 339)
- 3. What portion of the birthright went to Levi?** (Levi triumphed in the time of a great crisis in the cause of God, and thus perfected a character which entitled him to the priesthood. Pages 339-340)
- 4. What portion of the birthright went to Joseph?** (Two portions of the promised land were given to the family of Joseph. Page 340)
- 5. What two names will be found among the twelve tribes of the 144,000 from the family of Joseph to denote this double portion?** (Joseph and Manasseh. Page 340)
- 6. Who was Joseph's mother?** (Rachel. He was her firstborn. Page 340)
- 7. What are the principal points recorded in the early life of Joseph?** (The great love of Jacob for the lad, the coat of many colors, Joseph's dreams, and his being sold into Egypt. Page 340)
- 8. What significance does the author suggest for the coat of many colors?** (Jacob knew that Reuben had forfeited his right to officiate as priest of the household; and as the patriarch watched the godly life of Joseph, it would be only natural that he should select him as the one worthy to fill the holy office. It is possible that in vision he may have been permitted to see the great heavenly Priest; and that he made the coat as a faint representation of the priestly robe to be worn by his descendants. Pages 340-341)
- 9. Was Jacob right about Joseph's descendants ultimately filling this holy office?** (No. God sees not as man sees. God picked Levi from that group of envious, jealous sons and purified and refined him. Page 341)

10. **What motivated the jealousy in the brother's hearts when Joseph approached them in the field?** (The dreams of Joseph, revealing that the family would bow down before him. Page 341)
11. **What brother alone did not have murder in his thoughts toward Joseph?** (Reuben. Page 341)
12. **Who does Jewish tradition state bound Joseph and for what apparent purpose was he bound?** (Simeon. It was so that he could not climb out and escape. He was meant to die there. Page 341)
13. **Which brother did Joseph have bound in Egypt in front of his brothers?** (Simeon. Page 341)
14. **Did Joseph hold any resentment toward his brothers?** (No, he saw only the Lord's hand in it all. Page 341)
15. **Where did the author say that Joseph received his strict integrity?** (From his mother Rachel, who was with him until he was 16 years of age. Page 342)
16. **Why does the author say that God in His mercy laid Rachel to rest at this point?** (So that she did not live to see him go into bondage in Egypt. Page 342)
17. **What was distinctive about the blessing that Joseph received from his father?** (His mother was also mentioned in the blessing. Page 342)
18. **What common attitude made Joseph and Job great men of God?** (They both saw the hand of God in all the events of life. Page 342)
19. **How was Joseph's appearance characterized?** (It is spoken of as "*goodly*" and "*well favored.*" Page 343)
20. **By what event did he show his strict integrity?** (The wife of Potiphar tried to entrap him; but he replied, "*How...can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?*" Page 343)

21. **When Joseph stood before Pharaoh and interpreted the king's dreams, what was he careful to do?** (He attributed all the honor to God. Page 343)
22. **What did Joseph do during the seven years of plenty?** (He married an Egyptian woman and had two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim. Page 343)
23. **How long had Joseph been chief ruler in Egypt before his brothers came to buy food?** (Nine years. Page 343)
24. **What happened when Joseph suggested that Benjamin should be made a hostage?** (Joseph had the satisfaction of hearing Judah, the very one who, years before, had suggested selling Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver, offer to become his bondman for life, in place of Benjamin. Pages 343-344)
25. **During Joseph's whole life as recorded in the Scriptures, do we have any record of his ever being unfaithful to God?** (No. Page 344)
26. **What were his last words?** (*"God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence."* Page 344)

More Study

Brothers of the King, by Arthur W. Spalding, pages 81-84 or
The Conquerors, by Leslie Hardinge.

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Activity

On your chart of the tribes of the 144,000, write the character qualities of those under the banner of Joseph.