



Identifying the Tribe of Joseph

Intro to the 12 Patriarchs

Joh 16:13

Howbeit when she, the Spirit of truth, is come, she will guide you into all truth: for she shall not speak of herself; but whatsoever she shall hear, that shall she speak: and she will shew

you things to come.

Joh 14:26

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, she shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said

unto you.

1Co 2:10

But Alahayim hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of Alahayim.

1Co 2:11

For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of Alahayim knoweth no man, but the Spirit of Alahayim.

Identifying Joseph

Gen 49:22

Joseph is a fruitful bough, *even* a fruitful bough by a well; *whose* branches run over the wall:



Gen 49:23

The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him:

The nations have afflicted him, but his seed would make it out of the affliction

Gen 49:24

But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty *Alahayim* of Jacob; (from thence *is* the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)

Gen 49:25

Even by the Alahayim of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

Gen 49:26

The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

Deu 33:13

And of Joseph he said, Blessed of Aayah *be* his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

Deu 33:14

And for the precious fruits *brought forth* by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon,

Deu 33:15

And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills,

Deu 33:16

And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and *for* the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him *that was* separated from his brethren.

Deu 33:17

His glory *is like* the firstling of his bullock, and his horns *are like* the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they *are* the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they *are* the thousands of Manasseh.

Testament of Naphtali 1:7-9



7 For Rachel loved me very much because I was born upon her lap; and when I was still young she was wont 8 to kiss me, and say: May I have a brother of thine from mine own womb, like unto thee. Whence 9 also Joseph was like unto me in all things, according to the prayers of Rachel.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOSEPH, THE ELEVENTH SON OF JACOB AND RACHEL.

1 1 The copy of the Testament of Joseph. When he was about to die he called his sons and his brethren together, and said to them:-- 2 My brethren and my children, Harken to Joseph the beloved of Israel; Give ear, my sons, unto your father. 3 I have seen in my life envy and death, Yet I went not astray, but persevered in the truth of AHAYAH.

Testament of Naphtali 5:3-5; 6:2-8

5:3 And Levi and Judah sat upon the two masts to look out which way the ship was to take. **4** As long as Joseph and Judah were of one mind, and Judah showed Joseph which was the right way, Joseph directed thither the ship, and the ship sailed on peaceably without hindrance. **5** And after a while a quarrel arose between Joseph and Judah, and Joseph no longer steered the ship according to the words of his father and the teachings of Judah and the ship went a wrong course, and the waves of the seas dashed it on a rock, so that the ship was broken up.

6:2 And behold there came Jacob our father, and found us dispersed, one here, and another there. **3** He said unto us, "What is the matter with you, my sons? Perhaps you have no steered the ship as it ought, (even) as I commanded you?" **4** And we said unto him, "By the life of thy servants, we have not departed from anything that thou has commanded us; but Joseph transgressed against the command; for he did not steer the ship according to thy command, and as he was instructed by Levi and Judah, for he was jealous of them." **5** And he said unto us, "Show me the place of the ship." And he saw, and behold the tops of the masts were visible, and behold it was floating upon the surface of the water. **6** And my father whistled, and we all gathered round him. **7** And he cast himself into the sea as before, and he repaired the ship. **8** And he reproved Joseph, and said unto him, "My son, thou shalt not again deceive nor be jealous of thy brothers, for they were nearly lost through thee."

Testament of Naphtali 3:1

1 Be ye, therefore, **not eager** to corrupt your doings through covetousness or with vain words to beguile your souls; because if ye keep silence in purity of heart, ye shall understand how to hold 2 fast the will of Alahayim, and to cast away the will of Beliar



Testament of Dan 2:10

And wherewith encompasseth it his eyes? With hatred of heart, so as to be envious of his brother.

Testament of Gad 4

7 For the spirit of hatred worketh together with Satan, **through hastiness of spirit**, in all things to men's death; but the spirit of love worketh together with the law of Alahayim in long-suffering unto the salvation of men.

Testament of Dan 2:10

And wherewith encompasseth it his eyes? With hatred of heart, so as to be envious of his brother.

Testament of Dan 2:4

4 For the spirit of anger encompasseth him with the net of deceit, and blindeth his eyes, and through lying 5 darkeneth his mind, and giveth him its own peculiar vision. And wherewith encompasseth it his eyes? With hatred of heart, so as to be envious of his brother.

Jas 1:19

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Jas 1:20

For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of Alahayim.

Testament of Joseph

1:4 These my brethren hated me, but AHAYAH loved me: They wished to slay me, but the Alahayim of my fathers guarded me: They let me down into a pit, and the Most High brought me up again. 5 I was sold into slavery, and the Adono of all made me free: I was taken into captivity, and His strong hand succoured me. I was beset with hunger, and AHAYAH Himself nourished me. 6 I was alone, and Alahayim comforted me: I was sick, and AHAYAH visited me: I was in prison, and my Alahayim showed favour unto me; In bonds, and He released me; 7 Slandered, and He pleaded my cause; Bitterly spoken



against by the Egyptians, and He delivered me; Envied by my fellow-slaves, and He exalted me.

Jasher 46:19

19. And the butler, to whom Joseph had interpreted his dream, forgot Joseph, and he did not mention him to the king as he had promised, for this thing was from AHAYAH in order to punish Joseph because he had trusted in man.

Jasher 75

1. AT that time, in the hundred and eightieth year of the Israelites going down into Egypt, there went forth from Egypt valiant men, thirty thousand on foot, from the children of Israel, who were all of the tribe of Joseph, of the children of Ephraim, Joseph's son. 2. For they said the period was completed, which AHAYAH had appointed to the children of Israel in the times of old, which he had spoken to Abraham. 3. And these men girded themselves, and they put each man his sword at his side, and every man his armour upon him, and they trusted on their strength, and they went out together from Egypt with a mighty hand. 4. But they brought no provision for the road, only silver and gold, not even bread for that day did they bring in their hands, for they thought of getting their provision for pay from the Philistines, and if not they would take it by force. 5. And these men were very mighty and valiant men, one man could pursue a thousand and two could rout ten thousand; so they trusted on their strength and went together as they were

Testament of Joseph

2 1, 2 And this chief captain of Pharaoh entrusted to me his house. And I struggled against a shameless woman, urging me to transgress with her; but the Alahayim of Israel my father delivered me from 3 the burning flame. I was cast into prison, I was beaten, I was mocked; but AHAYAH granted me to find mercy in the sight of the keeper of the prison. 4 For AHAYAH doth not forsake them that fear Him, Neither in darkness, nor in bonds, nor in tribulations, nor in necessities.

Jos 1:7

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

Jos 1:8



This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Testament of Joseph 2:5

5 For Alahayim is not put to shame as a man, Nor as the son of man is he afraid, Nor as one that is earth-born is He [weak or] affrighted. 6 But in all those things doth He give protection, And in divers ways doth He comfort, (Though) for a little space He departeth to try the inclination of the soul. 7 In ten temptations He showed me approved, And in all of them I endured; For endurance is a mighty charm, And patience giveth many good things.

Testament of Reuben 4:8-11

8 For ye heard regarding Joseph how he guarded himself from a woman, and purged his thoughts from all fornication, and found favour in 9 the sight of Alahayim and men. For the Egyptian woman did many things unto him, and summoned 10 magicians, and offered him love potions, but the purpose of his soul admitted no evil desire. Therefore 11 the Alahayim of your fathers delivered him from every evil (and) hidden death. For if fornication overcomes not your mind, neither can Beliar overcome you.

3 1 How often did the Egyptian woman threaten me with death! How often did she give me over to punishment, and then call me back and threaten me, and when I was unwilling to company with 2 her, she said to me: Thou shalt be master of me, and all that is in my house, if thou wilt give thyself 3 unto me, and thou shalt be as our master. But I remembered the words of my father, and going 4 into my chamber, I wept and prayed unto AHAYAH.

The book of Jubilees 39:6-7

6. But he did not surrender his soul, and he remembered Ahayah and the words which Jacob, his father, used to read from amongst the words of Abraham, that no man should commit fornication with a woman who hath a husband; that for him the punishment of death hath been ordained in the heavens before the Most High Ala, and the sin will be recorded against him in the eternal books continually before Ahayah. 7. And Joseph remembered these words and refused to lie with her. And she besought him for a year, but he refused and would not listen.

Joseph and Asenath 7:6

6. And Joseph kept his father Jacob's face before his eyes continually, and he remembered his father's commandments; for Jacob used to say to Joseph and his



brothers, "Be on your guard, my children, against the strange woman, and have nothing to do with her, for she is ruin and destruction."

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Testament of Joseph 3:4

3:4 And I fasted in those seven years, and I appeared to the Egyptians as one living delicately, for they that fast for Alahayim's sake receive beauty of face.

Hermas Parable 5 1:4-5; 3:5-9

1[54]:4 "Alahayim desireth not such a vain fast; for by so fasting unto Alahayim thou shalt do nothing for righteousness. But fast thou [unto Alahayim] such a fast as this; 1[54]:5 do no wickedness in thy life, and serve AHAYAH with a pure heart; observe His commandments and walk in His ordinances, and let no evil desire rise up in thy heart; but believe Alahayim. Then, if thou shalt do these things, and fear Him, and control thyself from every evil deed, thou shalt live unto Alahayim; and if thou do these things, thou shalt accomplish a great fast, and one acceptable to Alahayim.

3[56]:5 This fasting," saith he, "if the commandments of AHAYAH are kept, is very good. This then is the way, that thou shalt keep this fast which thou art about to observe].

3[56]:6 First of all, keep thyself from every evil word and every evil desire, and purify thy heart from all the vanities of this world. If thou keep these things, this fast shall be perfect for thee.

3[56]:7 And thus shalt thou do. Having fulfilled what is written, on that day on which thou fastest thou shalt taste nothing but bread and water; and from thy meats, which thou wouldest have eaten, thou shalt reckon up the amount of that day's expenditure, which thou wouldest have incurred, and shalt give it to a widow, or an orphan, or to one in want, and so shalt thou humble thy soul, that he that hath received from thy humiliation may satisfy his own soul, and may pray for thee to AHAYAH.

3[56]:8 If then thou shalt so accomplish this fast, as I have commanded thee, thy sacrifice shall be acceptable in the sight of Alahayim, and this fasting shall be recorded; and the service so performed is beautiful and joyous and acceptable to AHAYAH.



Testament of Joseph

3:5 And if my master were away from home, I drank no wine; nor for three days did I take my food, but 6 I gave it to the poor and sick.

Isa 28:1

Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which *are* on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine!

Hos 13:1

When Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but when he offended in Baal, he died.

Testament of Judah 13:1-8

13:1 And now, my children, I say unto you, be not drunk with wine; for wine turneth the mind away² from the truth, and inspires the passion of lust, and leadeth the eyes into error. For the spirit of fornication hath wine as a minister to give pleasure to the mind; for these two also take away the ³ mind of man. For if a man drink wine to drunkenness, it disturbeth the mind with filthy thoughts leading to fornication, and heateth the body to carnal union; and if the occasion of the lust be ⁴ present, he worketh the sin, and is not ashamed. Such is the inebriated man, my children; for he ⁵ who is drunken reverenceth no man. For, lo, it made me also to err, so that I was not ashamed of the multitude in the city, in that before the eyes of all I turned aside unto Tamar, and I wrought ⁶ a great sin, and I uncovered the covering of my sons' shame. After I had drunk wine I revered ⁷ not the commandment of Alahayim, and I took a woman of Canaan to wife. For much discretion needeth the man who drinketh wine, my children; and herein is discretion in drinking wine a man ⁸ may drink so long as he preserveth modesty.

4 ¹ Often, therefore, did she flatter me with words as a holy man, and guilefully in her talk praise my ² chastity before her husband, while desiring to ensnare me when we were alone. For she lauded me openly as chaste, and in secret she said unto me: Fear not my husband; for he is persuaded concerning ³ thy chastity: for even should one tell him concerning us, he would not believe. Owing to all these things I lay upon the ground, and besought Alahayim that AHAYAH would deliver me from her ⁴ deceit. And when she had prevailed nothing thereby, she came again to me under the plea of ⁵ instruction, that she might learn the word of Alahayim. And she said unto me: If thou wilt that I should leave my idols, lie with me, and I will persuade my husband to depart from his



idols, and 6 we will walk in the law of thy Adono. And I said unto her: AHAYAH willeth not that those who reverence Him should be in uncleanness, nor doth He take pleasure in them that commit adultery, 7 but in those that approach Him with a pure heart and undefiled lips. But she held her peace, 8 longing to accomplish her evil desire. And I gave myself yet more to fasting and prayer, that AHAYAH might deliver me from her.

5 1 And again, at another time she said unto me: If thou wilt not commit adultery, I will kill my 2 husband by poison; and take thee to be my husband. I therefore, when I heard this, rent my garments, and said unto her: Woman, reverence Alahayim, and do not this evil deed, lest thou be 3 destroyed; for know indeed that I will declare this thy device unto all men. She therefore, being 4 afraid, besought that I would not declare this device. And she departed soothing me with gifts, and sending to me every delight of the sons of men.

6 1, 2 And afterwards she sent me food mingled with enchantments. And when the eunuch who brought it came, I looked up and beheld a terrible man giving me with the dish a sword, and 3 I perceived that (her) scheme was to beguile me. And when he had gone out I wept, nor did 4 I taste that or any other of her food. So then after one day she came to me and observed the food, 5 and said unto me: Why is it that thou hast not eaten of the food? And I said unto her: It is because thou hast filled it with deadly enchantments; and how saidst thou: I come not near to 6 idols, but to AHAYAH alone. Now therefore know that the Alahayim of my father hath revealed unto me by His angel thy wickedness, and I have kept it to convict thee, if haply thou mayst see and repent. 7 But that thou mayst learn that the wickedness of the unholy hath no power over them that worship Alahayim with chastity, behold I will take of it and eat before thee. And having so said, I prayed thus: The Alahayim of my fathers and the angel of Abraham, be with me; and ate. 8 And when she saw this she fell upon her face at my feet, weeping; and I raised her up and admonished her. And she promised to do this iniquity no more.

7 1 But her heart was still set upon evil, and she looked around how to ensnare me, and sighing deeply she became downcast, though she was not sick. 2 And when her husband saw her, he said unto her: Why is thy countenance fallen? And she said unto him: I have a pain at my heart, and the groanings of my spirit oppress me; and so 3 he comforted her who was not sick. Then, accordingly seizing an opportunity, she rushed unto me while her husband was yet without, and said unto me: I will hang myself, or cast myself over a cliff, 4 if thou wilt not lie with me. And when I saw the spirit of Beliar was troubling her, I prayed unto 5 AHAYAH, and said unto her: Why, wretched woman, art thou troubled and disturbed, blinded through, sins? Remember that if thou kill thyself, Asteho, the concubine of thy husband, thy rival, 6 will beat thy children, and thou wilt destroy thy memorial from off the earth. And she said unto me: Lo, then thou lovest me; let this suffice me: only strive for my life and my children, and 7 I expect that



I shall enjoy my desire also. But she knew not that because of my master I spake 8 thus, and not because of her. For if a man hath fallen before the passion of a wicked desire and become enslaved by it, even as she, whatever good thing he may hear with regard to that passion, he receiveth it with a view to his wicked desire.

8 1 I declare, therefore, unto you, my children, that it was about the sixth hour when she departed from me; and I knelt before AHAYAH all day, and all the night; and about dawn I rose up, weeping 2 the while and praying for a release from her. At last, then, she laid hold of my garments, forcibly dragging me to have connection with her. 3 When, therefore, I saw that in her madness she was holding fast to my garment, I left it behind, and fled away naked. 4 And holding fast to the garment she falsely accused me, and when her husband came he cast me into prison in his house; and on the morrow he scourged me and sent me into Pharaoh's prison. 5 And when I was in bonds, the Egyptian woman was oppressed with grief, and she came and heard how I gave thanks unto AHAYAH and sang praises in the abode of darkness, and with glad voice rejoiced, glorifying my Alahayim that I was delivered from the lustful desire of the Egyptian woman.

9 1 And often hath she sent unto me saying: Consent to fulfill my desire, and I will release thee from thy bonds, and I will free thee from the darkness. And not even in thought did I incline unto 2 her. For Alahayim loveth him who in a den of wickedness combines fasting with chastity, rather than the man who in kings' chambers combines luxury with licence. And if a man liveth in chastity, and desireth also glory, and the Most High knoweth that it is expedient for him, He bestoweth this 3 also upon me. How often, though she were sick, did she come down to me at unlooked for times, 5 and listened to my voice as I prayed! And when I heard her groanings I held my peace. For when I was in her house she was wont to bare her arms, and breasts, and legs, that I might lie with her; for she was very beautiful, splendidly adorned in order to beguile me. And AHAYAH guarded me from her devices.

10 1, 2 Ye see, therefore, my children, how great things patience worketh, and prayer with fasting. So ye too, if ye follow after chastity and purity with patience and prayer, with fasting in humility of 3 heart, AHAYAH will dwell among you, because He loveth chastity.

10:3 And wheresoever the Most High dwelleth, even though envy, or slavery, or slander befall (a man), AHAYAH who dwelleth in him, for the sake of his chastity not only delivereth him from evil, but also exalteth him even as me. 4, 5 For in every way the man is lifted up, whether in deed, or in word, or in thought. My brethren knew how my father loved me, and yet I did not exalt myself in my mind: although I was a child, 6 I had the fear of Alahayim in my heart; for I knew that all things would pass away. And I did not raise myself (against them) with evil intent, but I honoured my brethren; and



out of respect for them, even when I was being sold, I refrained from telling the Ishmaelites that I was a son of Jacob, a great man and a mighty.

Testament of Naphtali 2:9-10

So then, my children, let all your works be done in order 10 with good intent in the fear of Alahayim, and do nothing disorderly in scorn or out of its due season.

11 1 Do ye also, my children, have the fear of Alahayim in all your works before your eyes, and honour 2 your brethren. For every one who doeth the law of AHAYAH shall be loved by Him.

Testament of Joseph 11:2-8

And when I came to the Indocolpitaie with the Ishmaelites, they asked me, saying: Art thou a slave? And 3 I said that I was a home-born slave, that I might not put my brethren to shame. And the eldest of them said unto me: Thou art not a slave, for even thy appearance doth make it manifest. But 4 I said that I was their slave. Now when we came into Egypt they strove concerning me, which of 5 them should buy me and take me. Therefore it seemed good to all that I should remain in Egypt 6 with the merchant of their trade, until they should return bringing merchandise. And AHAYAH 7 gave me favour in the eyes of the merchant, and he entrusted unto me his house. And Alahayim blessed 8 him by my means, and increased him in gold and silver and in household servants. And I was with him three months and five days.

12 1 And about that time the Memphian woman, the wife of Pentephri, came down in a chariot, with 2 great pomp, because she had heard from her eunuchs concerning me. And she told her husband that the merchant had become rich by means of a young Hebrew, and they say that he had assuredly 3 been stolen out of the land of Canaan. Now, therefore, render justice unto him, and take away the youth to thy house; so shall the Alahayim of the Hebrews bless thee, for grace from heaven is upon him.

13 1 And Pentephris was persuaded by her words, and commanded the merchant to be brought, and said unto him: What is this that I hear concerning thee, that thou stealest persons out of the land 2 of Canaan, and sellest them for slaves? But the merchant fell at his feet, and besought him, saying: 3 I beseech thee, my master, I know not what thou sayest. And Pentephris said unto him: Whence, then, is the Hebrew slave? And he said: The Ishmaelites entrusted him unto me until they should return. 4 But he believed him not, but commanded him to be stripped and beaten. And when he persisted 5 in this statement, Pentephris said: Let the youth be brought. And when I was brought in, I did 6 obeisance to Pentephris (for he was third in rank of the officers of Pharaoh). And he took me apart 7 from him, and said unto me: Art thou a slave or free?



And I said: A slave. And he said: 8 Whose? And I said: The Ishmaelites. And he said: How didst thou become their slave? And 9 I said: They bought me out of the land of Canaan. And he said unto me: Truly thou liest; and straightway he commanded me to be stripped and beaten.

14 1 Now the Memphian woman was looking through a window at me while I was being beaten, for her house was near, and she sent unto him saying: Thy judgement is unjust; for thou dost punish 2 a free man who hath been stolen, as though he were a transgressor. And when I made no change in my statement, though I was beaten, he ordered me to be imprisoned, until, he said, the owners 3 of the boy should come. And the woman said unto her husband: Wherefore dost thou detain the 4 captive and well-born lad in bonds, who ought rather to be set at liberty, and be waited upon? For 5 she wished to see me out of a desire of sin, but I was ignorant concerning all these things. And he said to her: It is not the custom of the Egyptians to take that which belongeth to others before 6 proof is given. This, therefore, he said concerning the merchant; but as for the lad, he must be imprisoned.

15 1 Now after four and twenty days came the Ishmaelites; for they had heard that Jacob my father² was mourning much concerning me. And they came and said unto me: How is it that thou saidst that thou wast a slave? And lo, we have learnt that thou art the son of a mighty man in the land of 3 Canaan, and thy father still mourneth for thee in sackcloth and ashes. When I heard this my bowels were dissolved and my heart melted, and I desired greatly to weep, but I restrained myself, that I should not put my brethren to shame. And I said unto them, I know not, I am a slave. 4, 5 Then, therefore, they took counsel to sell me, that I should not be found in their hands. For they feared my father, lest he [should come and] execute upon them a grievous vengeance. For they had 6 heard that he was mighty with Alahayim and with men. Then said the merchant unto them: Release 7 me from the judgement of Pentiphri. And they came and requested me, saying: Say that thou wast bought by us with money, and he will set us free.

16 1 Now the Memphian woman said to her husband: Buy the youth; for I hear, said she, that they are selling him. 2 And straightway she sent a eunuch to the 3 Ishmaelites, and asked them to sell me. But since the eunuch would not agree to buy me (at their price) he returned, having made trial of them, and he made known to his mistress that they asked a large price for their slave. 4 And she sent another eunuch, saying: Even though they demand two minas, give them, do not spare the gold; only buy the boy, and bring him to me. 5 The eunuch therefore went and gave them eighty pieces of gold, and he received me; but to the Egyptian woman he said: I have given a hundred. 6 And though I knew (this) I held my peace, lest the eunuch should be put to shame.



17 1 Ye see, therefore, my children, what great things I endured that I should not put my brethren to 2 shame. Do ye also, therefore love one another, and with long-suffering hide ye one another's 3 faults. For Alahayim delighteth in the unity of brethren, and in the purpose of a heart that takes 4 pleasure in love. And when my brethren came into Egypt they learnt that I had returned their 5 money unto them, and upbraided them not, and comforted them. And after the death of Jacob my father I loved them more abundantly, and all things whatsoever he commanded I did very 6 abundantly for them, And I suffered them not to be afflicted in the smallest matter; and all that 7 was in my hand I gave unto them. And their children were my children, and my children as their servants; and their life was my life, and all their suffering was my suffering, and all their sickness 8 was my infirmity. My land was their land, and their counsel my counsel. And I exalted not myself among them in arrogance because of my worldly glory, but I was among them as one of the least.

18 1 If ye also, therefore, walk in the commandments of AHAYAH, my children, He will exalt you there, 2 and will bless you with good things for ever and ever. And if any one seeketh to do evil unto you, 3 do well unto him, and pray for him, and ye shall be redeemed of AHAYAH from all evil. 18:3 [For], behold, ye see that out of my humility and long -suffering I took unto wife the daughter of the priest of Heliopolis.

Testament of Reuben 4:1

1 Pay no heed, therefore, my children, to the beauty of women, nor set your mind on their affairs; but walk in singleness of heart in the fear of AHAYAH, and expend labour on good works, and on study and on your flocks, until AHAYAH give you a wife, whom He will, that ye suffer not as I did.

Tob 8:7 And now, O Lord, I take not this my sister for lust but uprightly: therefore mercifully ordain that we may become aged together.

Tob 8:8 And she said with him, Amen.

18:3 And a hundred talents of gold were given me with her, and AHAYAH made 4 them to serve me. And He gave me also beauty as a flower beyond the beautiful ones of Israel; and He preserved me unto old age in strength and in beauty, because I was like in all things to Jacob.

Deu 33:23



And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing of Ahayah:.....

19 1 Hear ye, therefore, me vision which I saw. 2 I saw twelve harts feeding. And nine of them were dispersed. Now the three were preserved, but on the following day they also were dispersed. 3 And I saw that the three harts became three lambs, and they cried to AHAYAH, and He brought them forth into a flourishing and well watered place, yea He brought them out of darkness into light. 4 And there they cried unto AHAYAH until there gathered together unto them the nine harts, and they became as twelve sheep, and after a little time they increased and became many 5 flocks. And after these things I saw and behold, twelve bulls were sucking one cow, which produced a sea of milk, and there drank thereof the twelve flocks and innumerable herds. 6 And the horns of the fourth bull went up unto heaven and became as a wall for the flocks, and in the midst of the two horns there grew 7 another horn. And I saw a bull calf which surrounded them twelve times, and it became a help to the bulls wholly. 8 And I saw in the midst of the horns a virgin [wearing a many-coloured garment, and from her] went forth a lamb; and on his right (was as it were a lion; and) all the beasts and all the reptiles rushed (against him), and the lamb over 9 came them and destroyed them. And the bulls rejoiced because of him, and the cow [and the 10 harts] exulted together with them. And these 11 things must come to pass in their season. Do ye therefore, my children, observe the commandments of AHAYAH, and honour Levi and Judah; for from them shall arise unto you [the Lamb of Alahayim, who taketh away the sin of the world] one who saveth [all the Gentiles and] Israel. 12 For His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, which shall not pass away; but my kingdom among you shall come to an end as a watcher's hammock, which after the summer disappeareth.

20 1 For I know that after my death the Egyptians will afflict you, but Alahayim will avenge you, and will 2 bring you into that which He promised to your fathers. But ye shall carry up my bones with you; for when my bones are being taken up thither, AHAYAH shall be with you in light, and Beliar shall be in darkness with the Egyptians. 3 And carry ye up Asenath your mother to the Hippodrome, and near Rachel your mother bury her. 4, 5 And when he had said these things he stretched out his feet, and died at a good old age. And all Israel mourned for him, and all Egypt, with a great mourning. 6 And when the children of Israel went out of Egypt, they took with them the bones of Joseph, and they buried him in Hebron with his fathers, and the years of his life were one hundred and ten years.