

Interesting Facts About Joseph

- “Joseph” means “May God add or increase”
- Was the 11th son of Jacob and the firstborn to his mother, Rachel.
- His father, Jacob, was about 90 years old when Joseph was born
- Was the favorite son of Jacob’s favorite wife
- Was born about 8 years before Jacob returned from Haran to Canaan
- Was the grandson of Isaac
- Was the great-great grandson of Abraham
- Had one brother—Benjamin
- Had ten half brothers
- Was a dreamer of dreams and an interpreter of dreams
- 13 chapters of Genesis are devoted to his life
- Was born in Haran 75 years after the death of his grandfather, Isaac

And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

• Genesis 45:7



But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

• Genesis 50:20

- Received the coat of many colors from his father
- Joseph was:
 - 17 when sold into slavery
 - 30 when he was made a ruler in Egypt
 - 37 when the famine began
 - 44 When the famine ended
 - Governor of Egypt another 66 years after the famine ended
 - 110 when he died. 400 years later his bones were buried in Canaan
- Joseph spent:
 - 17 years at home
 - 8 of the 17 were spent in Haran
 - 9 of the 17 were spent in Canaan (shepherd)
 - 13 years as a slave and prisoner in Egypt
 - 80 years as a ruler in Egypt
- Ruled Egypt during the 16th dynasty in the north of Egypt