

Subject: Re: Elaine Cook

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Benjamin-The Remnant Company

Summary of a message written by Elaine Cook, 1997

Benjamin is a type of God's remnant people.

A prophetic word received by a friend: "Benjamin is coming! There will be no more food until Benjamin is released by the Father."

Benjamin was the last (13th) child born to Jacob (Israel). The last two of his sons were given him by Rachel. She said she had "suffered reproach" because she could not reproduce his image (She had been barren until Dinah, righteous judgment, was born). She then gave birth to Joseph and then to Benjamin. She died during the birth of Jacob's last child. Jacob named him Benjamin, the son of the right hand.

The Lord intended all the time for Joseph to "rule over all Egypt", but He could not trust him to rule in his fleshly, carnal mind, so He set the whole stage so that he would be brought down. He came through suffering unto glory. Think it not some strange thing if you suffer along the way. It's part of the route to the throne; the making of an overcomer.

The Lord is often testing our attitude and proving how we will respond to the things that He sends. Will we respond in love, in forgiveness, in remitting sins? If we can't, there will be another "go-round" and another until you begin to face your own heart-attitude and cease blaming everyone else for the problem. Joseph said He did this to him so that he would be able to save many lives when there would be famine in the land. "... God did send me before you to preserve life... to save your lives by a great deliverance." There is a great famine today of hearing the word of God—a famine of spiritual substance that will cause you to be fruitful and multiply.

Joseph, by the wisdom of God, knew what to do. He stored up corn (have you been storing up 'corn'?) for the years of the famine, and in time the famine was sore upon them—even the Promised Land where his family lived. Finally, Jacob called his sons together and told them that he had heard that there was corn in Egypt. They must go there and buy food for the family.

In Egypt, the brothers presented themselves to Joseph and he recognized them, but they did not recognize him dressed in his rich royal robes and carrying in his person all the authority of the throne. No doubt Joseph had already forgiven them, but sometimes the Lord works in a little judgment to bring a person to a place of repentance before forgiveness is realized. Joseph spoke sternly and accused them, "You are spies! Throw these men into prison at once!"

Three days in prison brought some guilt to the brothers' heart and they remembered how they had treated their younger brother and had shown no mercy when he cried unto them. Joseph came to them and declared that one of them would remain in prison and the rest could go home with food, but only on condition that they return with their youngest brother. So, Simeon was taken from their midst and was bound before their eyes. He would remain bound until Benjamin would come to where Joseph was. Simeon means "hearing", hearing was imprisoned so they could not hear.

This is what has happened to those who walk in a mixture of law and grace. They can't hear what the Spirit is saying, and they won't be able to understand until Benjamin comes to where Joseph is. Benjamin, that remnant company, must come to the realm of spirit that the Lord has for them. And until he comes to this place, the hearing of the church is bound.

After a long period of time the brothers were able to convince their father to allow Benjamin to go to Egypt with them. As soon as Joseph heard that his brothers had come again, he sent word to them that they were invited to come and eat with him. They could not have come to that place if Benjamin had not been with them.

When the brothers were leaving to return home, Joseph commanded his steward, "Restore their money again to each man's sack. And into the sack of the youngest, put my own silver cup and his corn money." As they were on the way home they heard a horseman coming behind them in hot pursuit. "Off your camels!" He spoke to them roughly. "The silver cup of our master is missing and we must search every sack to see if you have done this wicked thing." The brothers protested, "God forbid that we should steal silver or gold of your lord's house. If you find the cup with any of us, let that one die, and we will be your slaves. The steward searched each man's sack from the eldest, to the youngest. The cup was found in Benjamin's sack. They tore their clothes and returned to the city to face Joseph.

Joseph refused their offer of being his bondsmen. His judgment was; "... the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace unto your father." Joseph wanted the one who had his cup. He put his cup in the sack of the remnant. Benjamin, the remnant, would be brought into a lifetime of dying; to self, to his own ways, to his carnal nature, until Christ was fully born in him. At that time, he would come to be in the realm where Jesus is!

Remember when James and John entreated the Lord to let them sit, one on either side of Him in His glory? His answer was, "If you can drink My cup, you can sit there!" It's the same with the cup He gives us. If we can drink it, we can be "the son of the right hand" and share the authority of his throne.

You have to not only know the cup is in your 'sack', but also have to take it in your hand. You have to say, "Yes, Lord, I will bear this cup. I will drink from it. I will drink whatever You put in it. I will take the cup of the Lord." When we are willing to drink His cup, then He reveals Himself unto us in all His glory.

Joseph "ruled over all Egypt". We say that so glibly, but we need to consider what it means. Egypt means, straitness- that which is narrow and confined. In a word, the sense realm; the realm of seen things, of outward things. Jesus, our heavenly Joseph, rules over all the sense realm! And He calls us, His Benjamin company also, to rule over all that sense realm; the carnal mind, the emotions, the will, the desires and affections. All the outward things that would entice us away from following the "new creation man" are Egypt— and we are to rule over them!

God is preparing a people who will abide in the realm of His Spirit and not come out of it. It will be their constant habitation. This remnant company will have the authority of the throne, because they have been willing to let the principles of God rule in their lives.

On Sat, Jul 6, 2024 at 7:45 PM Jackie Caporaso <jackie9957@gmail.com> wrote:
Helen, would you kindly send the Elaine Cook word again. Somehow it has disappeared from my inbox??

I spent the day in the ER today so I am a little tired. I am okay, but I felt so bad this morning that my daughter insisted. So after many tests, they found my problem. It was my thyroid that needed adjusting in dosage. This is the first time that ever happened in so many years! Now suddenly my thyroids seem to be working again and the dosage was too high! I really felt that I was ready for my next address! At 94 that would be just fine, but my daughter said that although she is ready but she did not want me to go if the problem was easily fixed!!

Love, Jackie