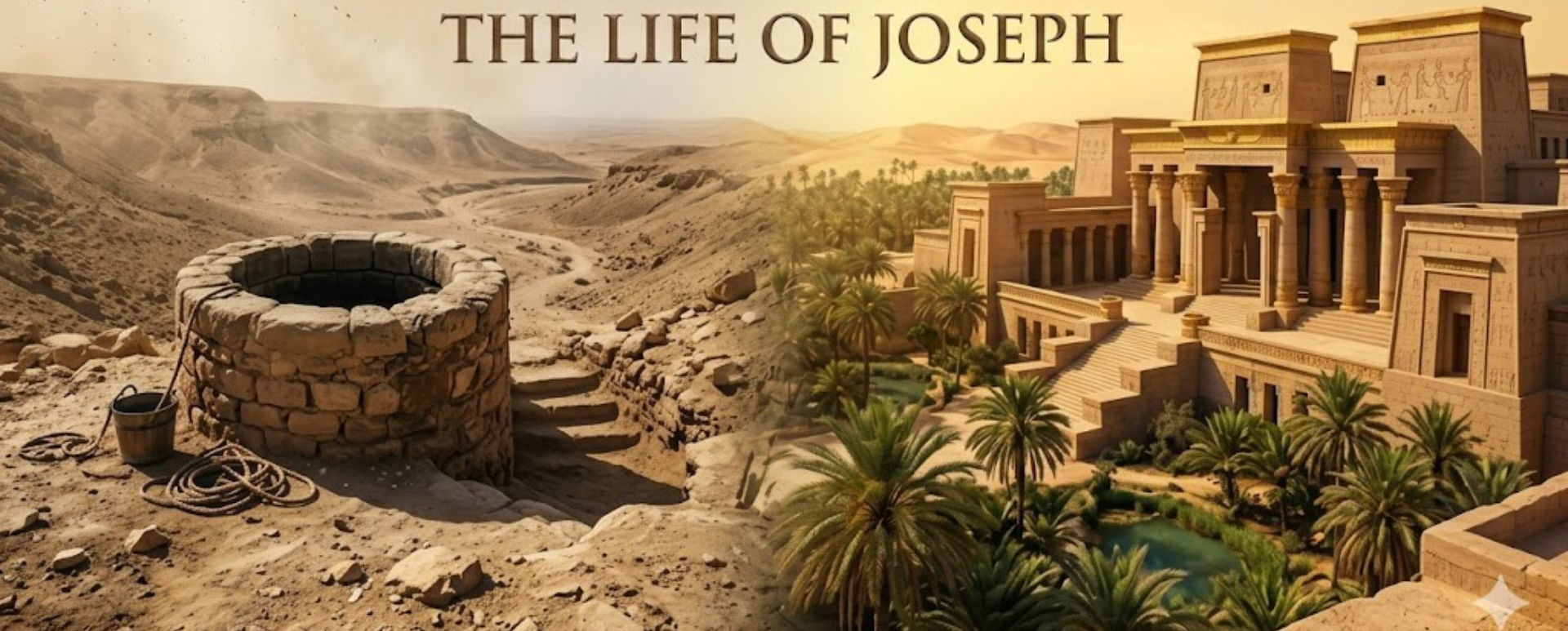


# FROM PIT TO PALACE

## THE LIFE OF JOSEPH



# Punchline:

**Redemption doesn't erase the story, it re-writes the ending**



# Recap

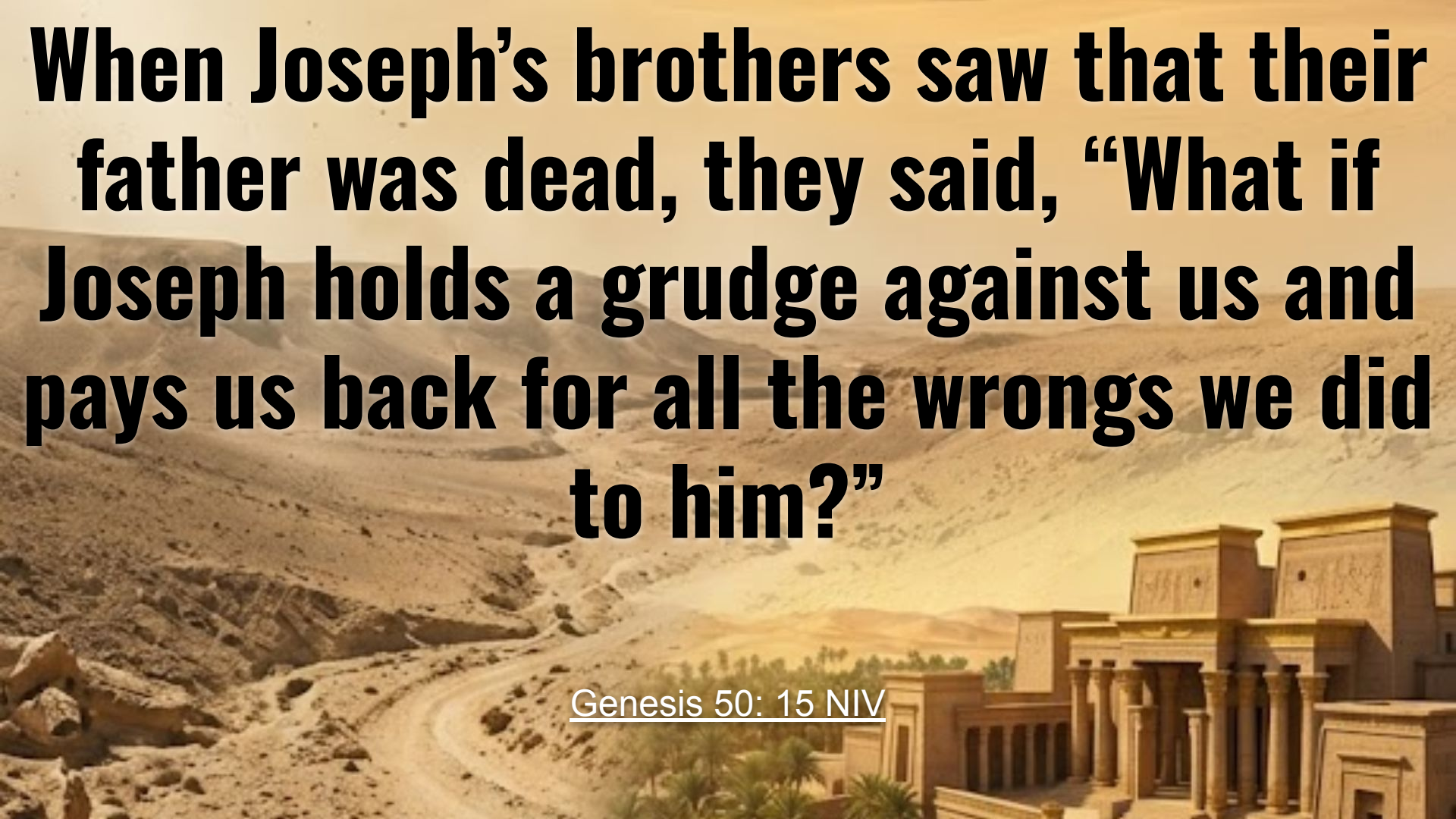
- ❖ **Favorite son of Jacob**
- ❖ **Brothers sold him to traders**
- ❖ **Became Potiphar's house manager**
- ❖ **Was eventually thrown in prison**

# Recap

- ❖ **Correctly interpreted the dreams of two other prisoners**
- ❖ **Interpreted Pharaoh's dreams that lead to his promotion**
- ❖ **Reunited with and forgave his brothers**

**When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?"**

Genesis 50: 15 NIV



**So they sent word to Joseph, saying,  
“Your father left these instructions  
before he died:**

Genesis 50: 16 NIV

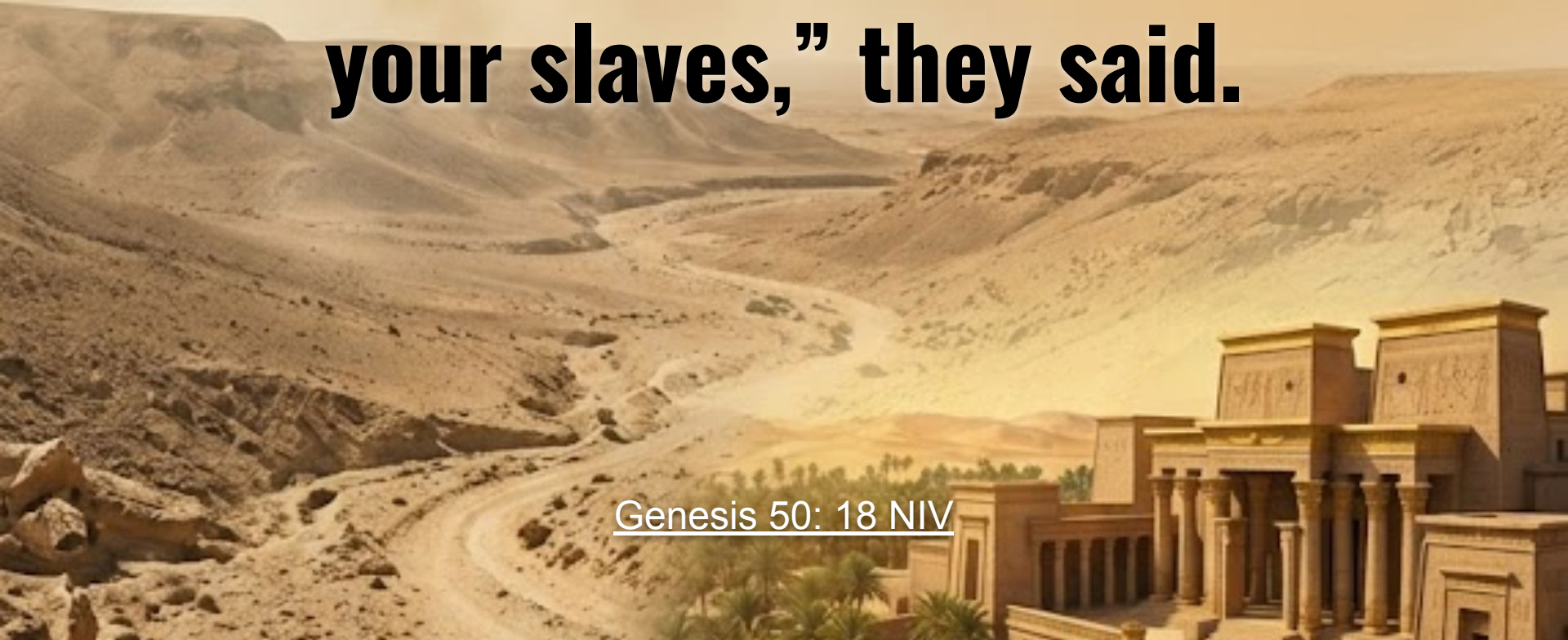


**This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.’ Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father.” When their message came to him, Joseph wept.**

Genesis 50: 17 NIV

**His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. “We are your slaves,” they said.**

Genesis 50: 18 NIV



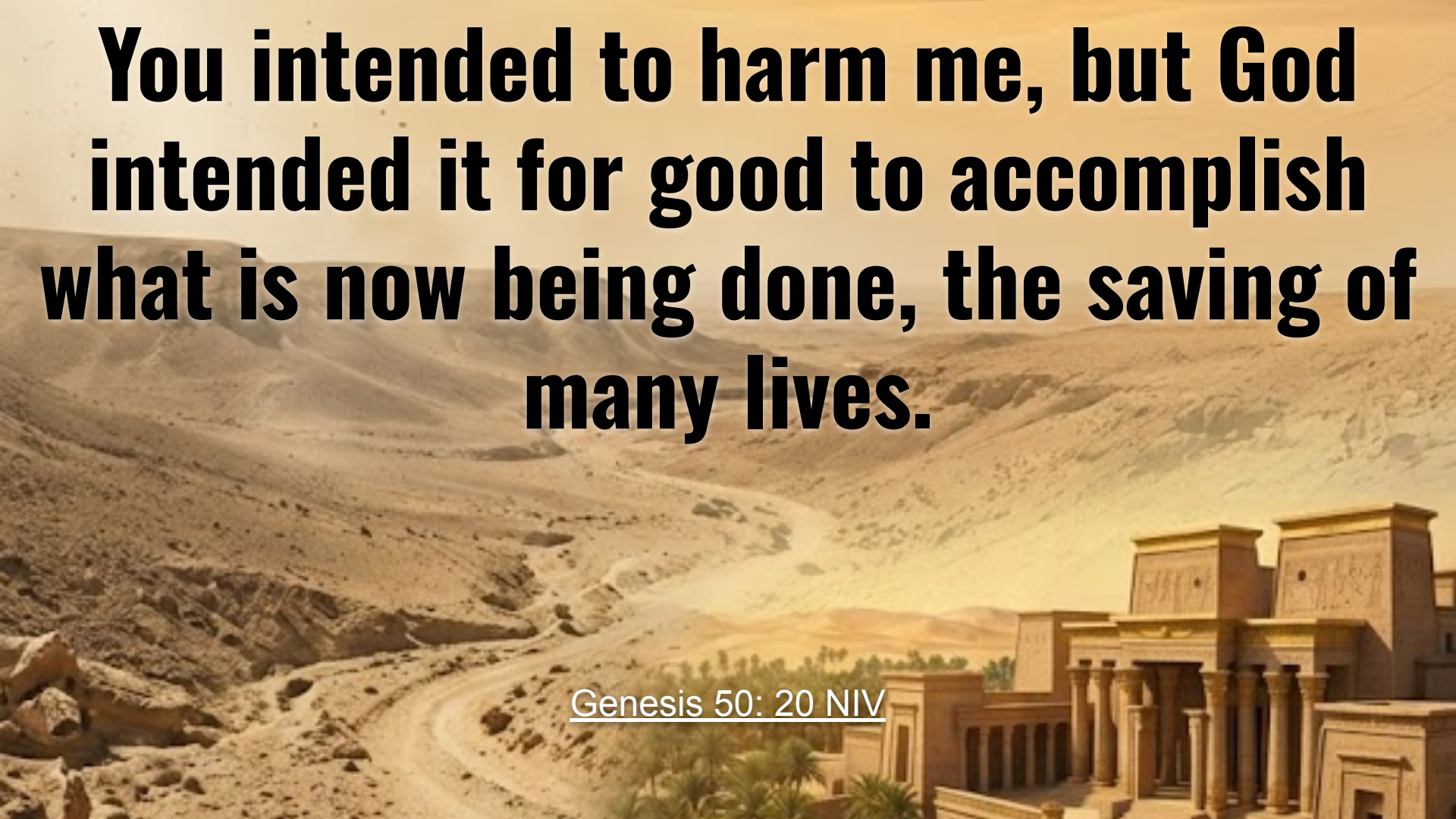
**But Joseph said to them, “Don’t be afraid. Am I in the place of God?”**

Genesis 50: 19 NIV

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a dirt road curves through the sand. In the middle ground, a river winds through a valley. In the background, there are rolling sand dunes and hills. On the right side, there are several ancient Egyptian structures, including a temple with columns and a large obelisk-like structure. The sky is a hazy, golden color, suggesting a sunset or sunrise.

**You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.**

Genesis 50: 20 NIV



**So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children.” And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.**

Genesis 50: 21 NIV



# Death of Jacob

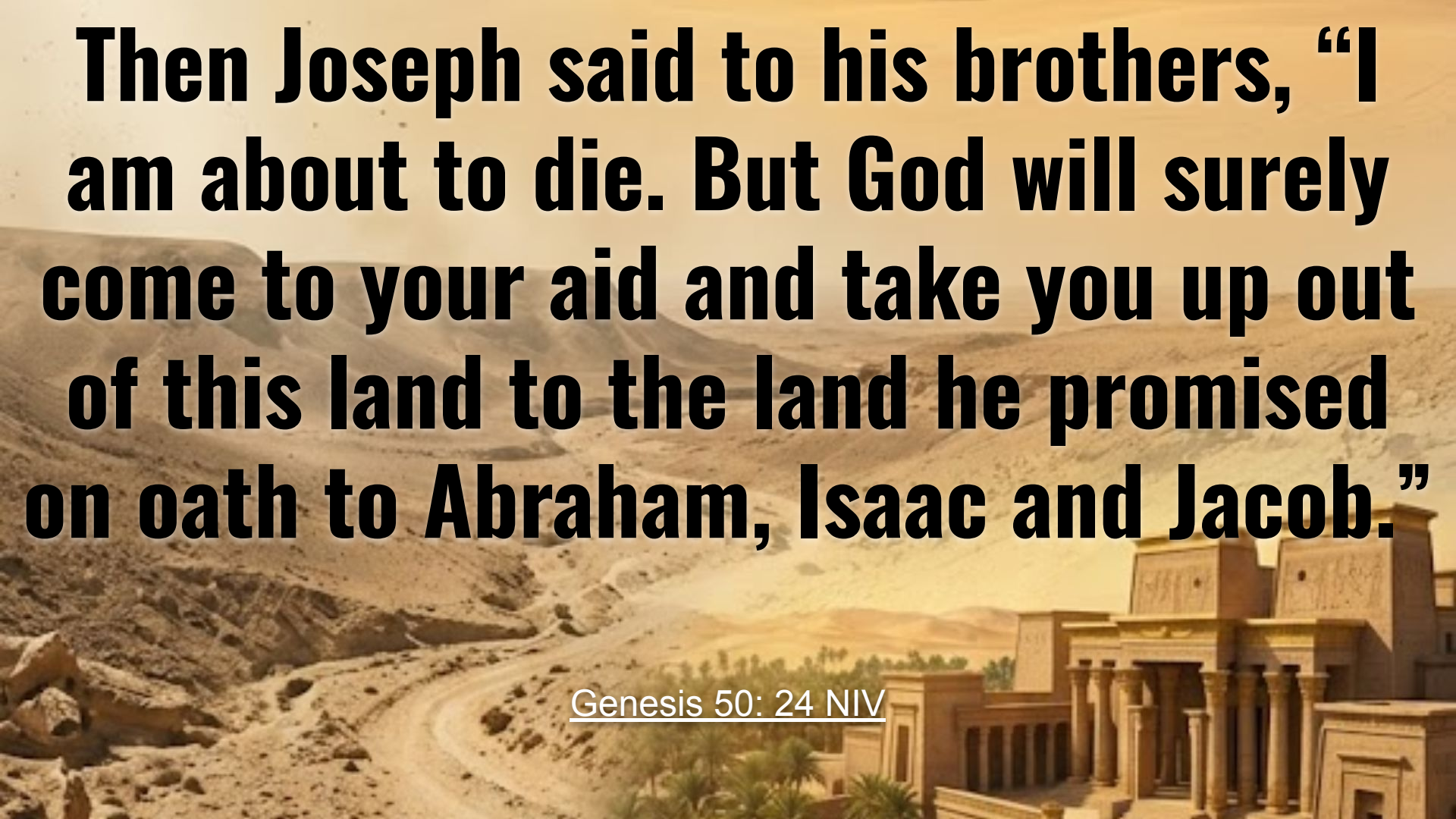
- ❖ **Brothers worried Joseph will still seek revenge**
- ❖ **Joseph is overtaken by emotion**
- ❖ **Reassures his brothers they are safe with him**

**Joseph stayed in Egypt, along with all his father's family. He lived a hundred and ten years and saw the third generation of Ephraim's children. Also the children of Makir son of Manasseh were placed at birth on Joseph's knees**

Genesis 50: 22-23 NIV

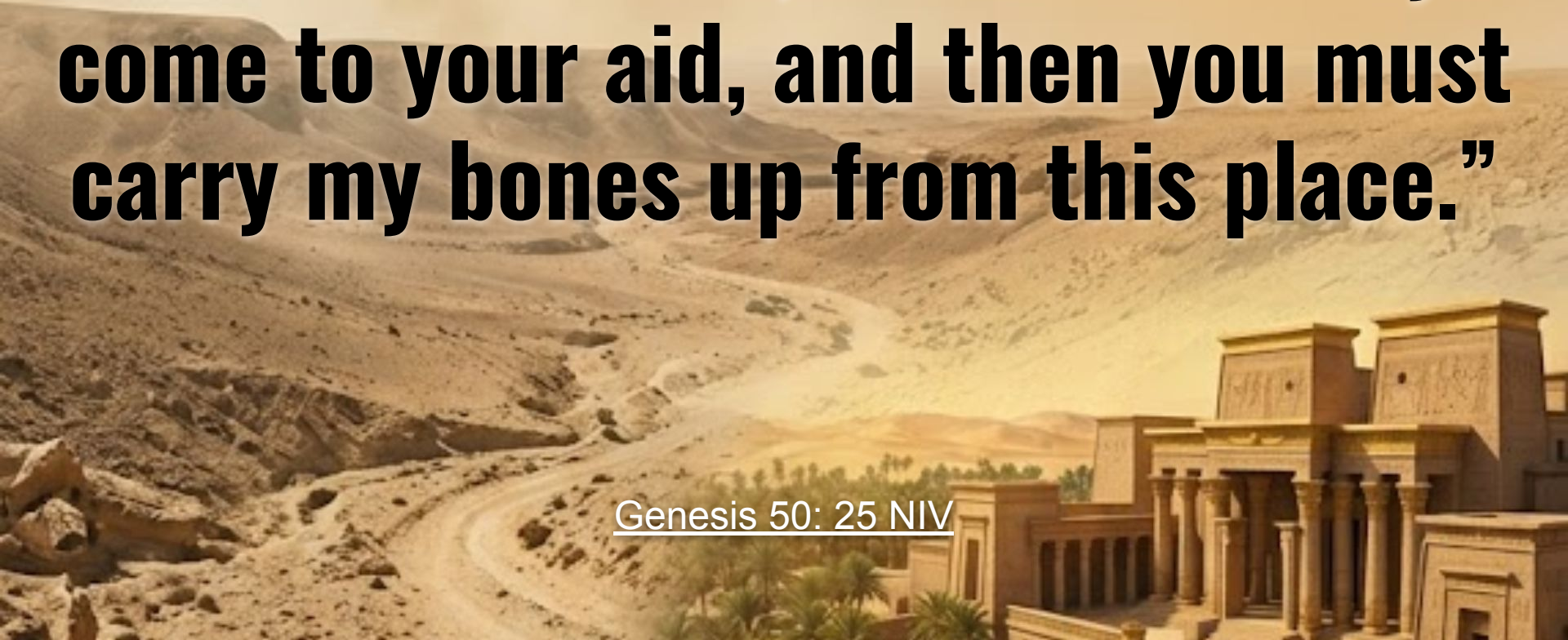
**Then Joseph said to his brothers, “I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.”**

Genesis 50: 24 NIV



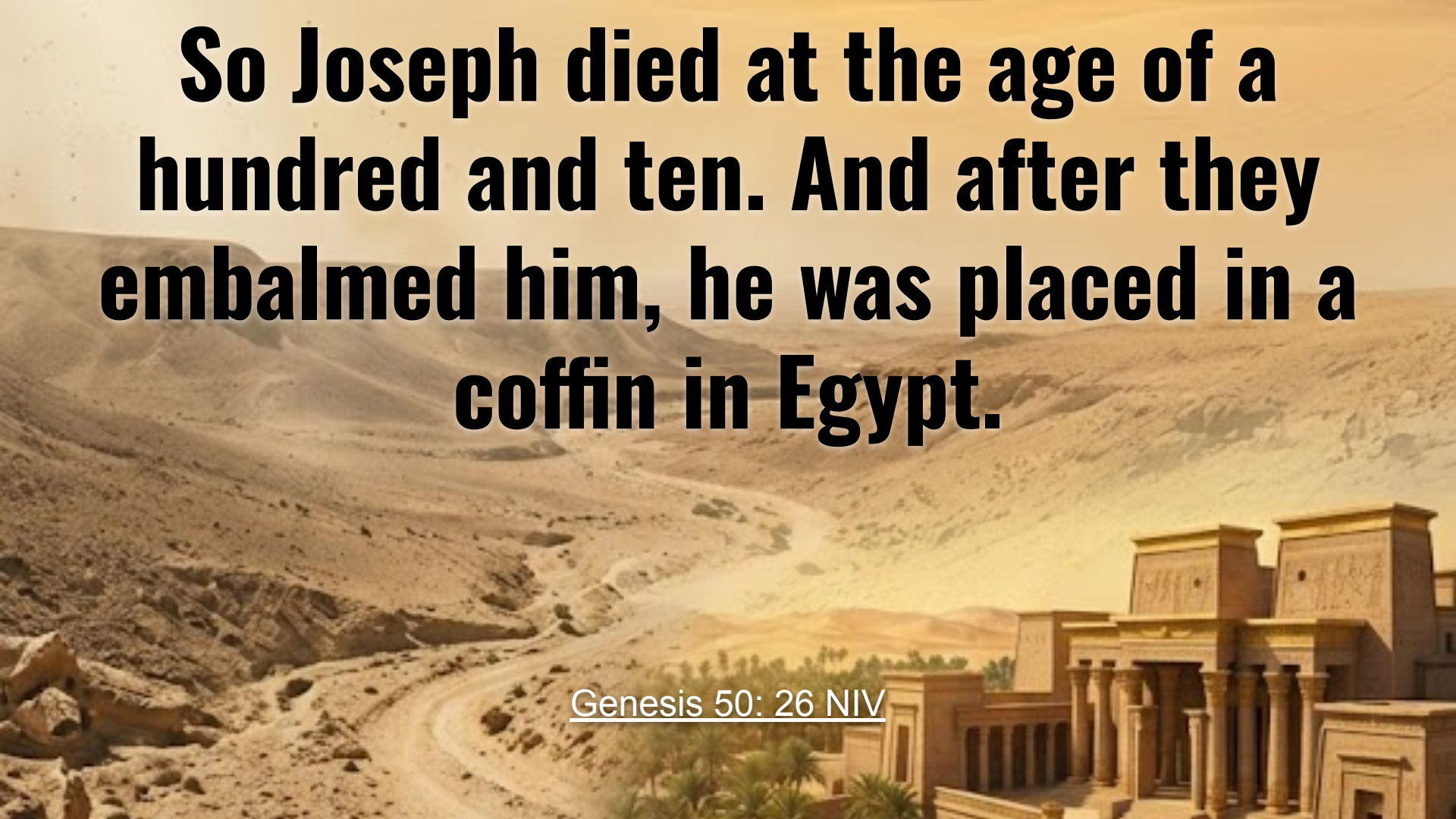
**And Joseph made the Israelites swear an oath and said, “God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place.”**

Genesis 50: 25 NIV



**So Joseph died at the age of a hundred and ten. And after they embalmed him, he was placed in a coffin in Egypt.**

Genesis 50: 26 NIV



# Death of Joseph

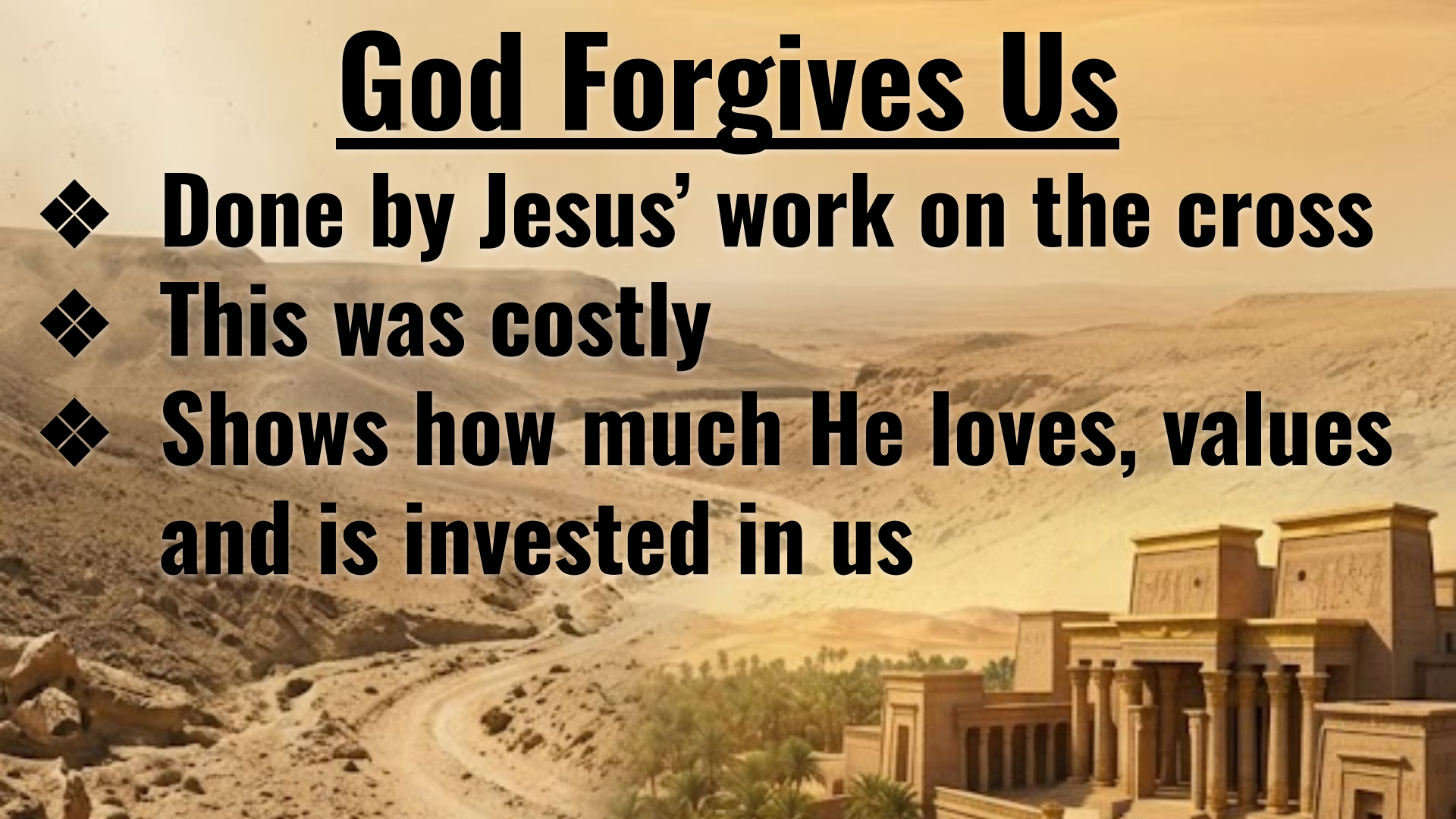
- ❖ **Joseph stays in Egypt to care for his family**
- ❖ **Makes them promise to bury his bones in the promised land**
- ❖ **Genesis ends but the story continues**





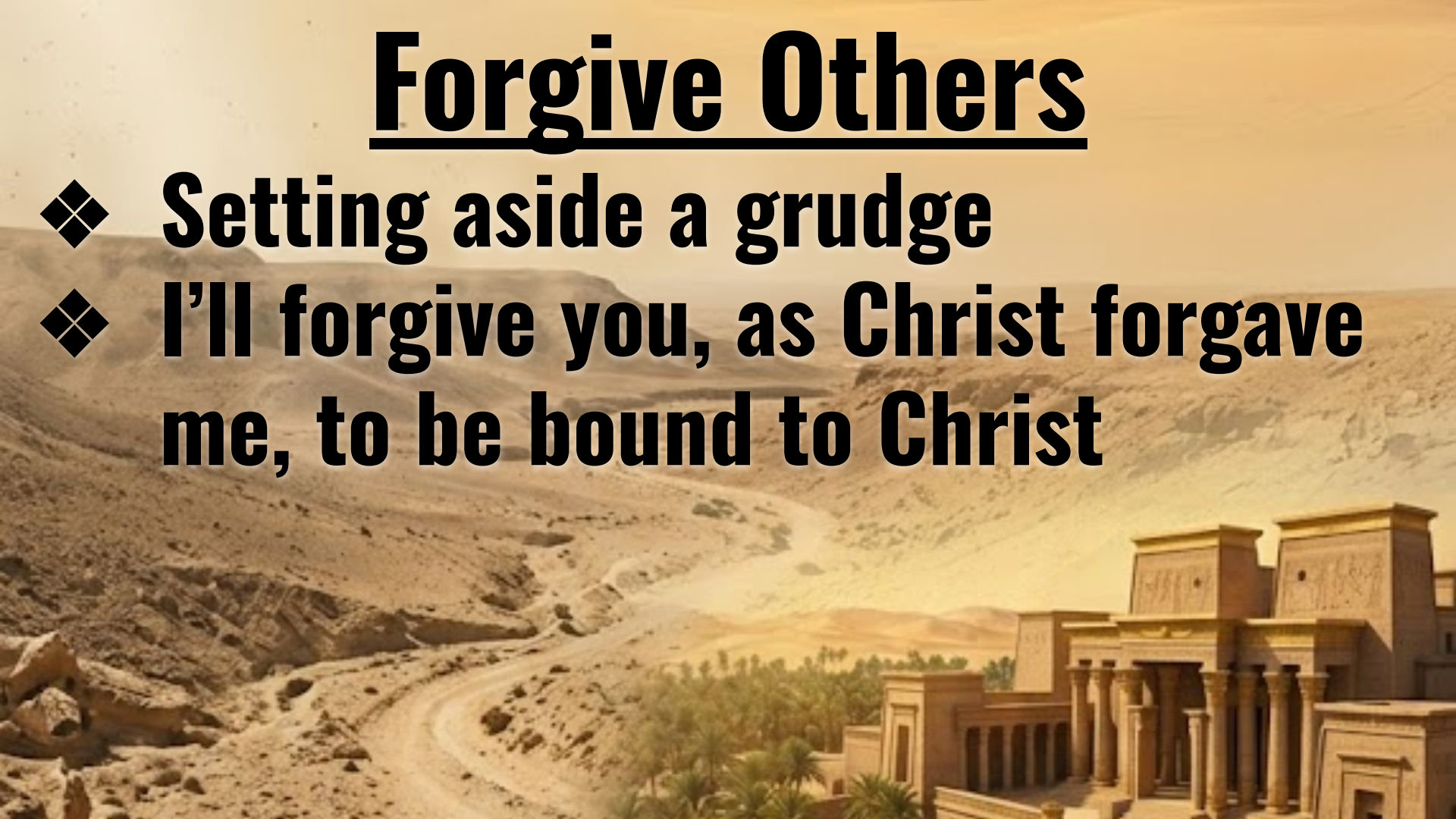
# God Forgives Us

- ❖ **Done by Jesus' work on the cross**
- ❖ **This was costly**
- ❖ **Shows how much He loves, values and is invested in us**



# Forgive Others

- ❖ **Setting aside a grudge**
- ❖ **I'll forgive you, as Christ forgave me, to be bound to Christ**



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CHANCE MEETING

ATTRACTION

FORCED TOGETHER

RECONCILIATION

CONNECTION

THE FRACTURE

REALIZATION

# Reconciled With God

- ❖ **Can hang out with God**
- ❖ **No barrier between us and God**
- ❖ **Leads to becoming more spiritually healthy**



# Reconciliation With Others

❖ **Follow Jesus' example**

➤ **Forgiveness**

➤ **Grace**





# God Provides For Us

- ❖ **Physical and material needs**
- ❖ **Guidance**
- ❖ **Truth**
- ❖ **Peace**
- ❖ **Rest**



# Provide For Others

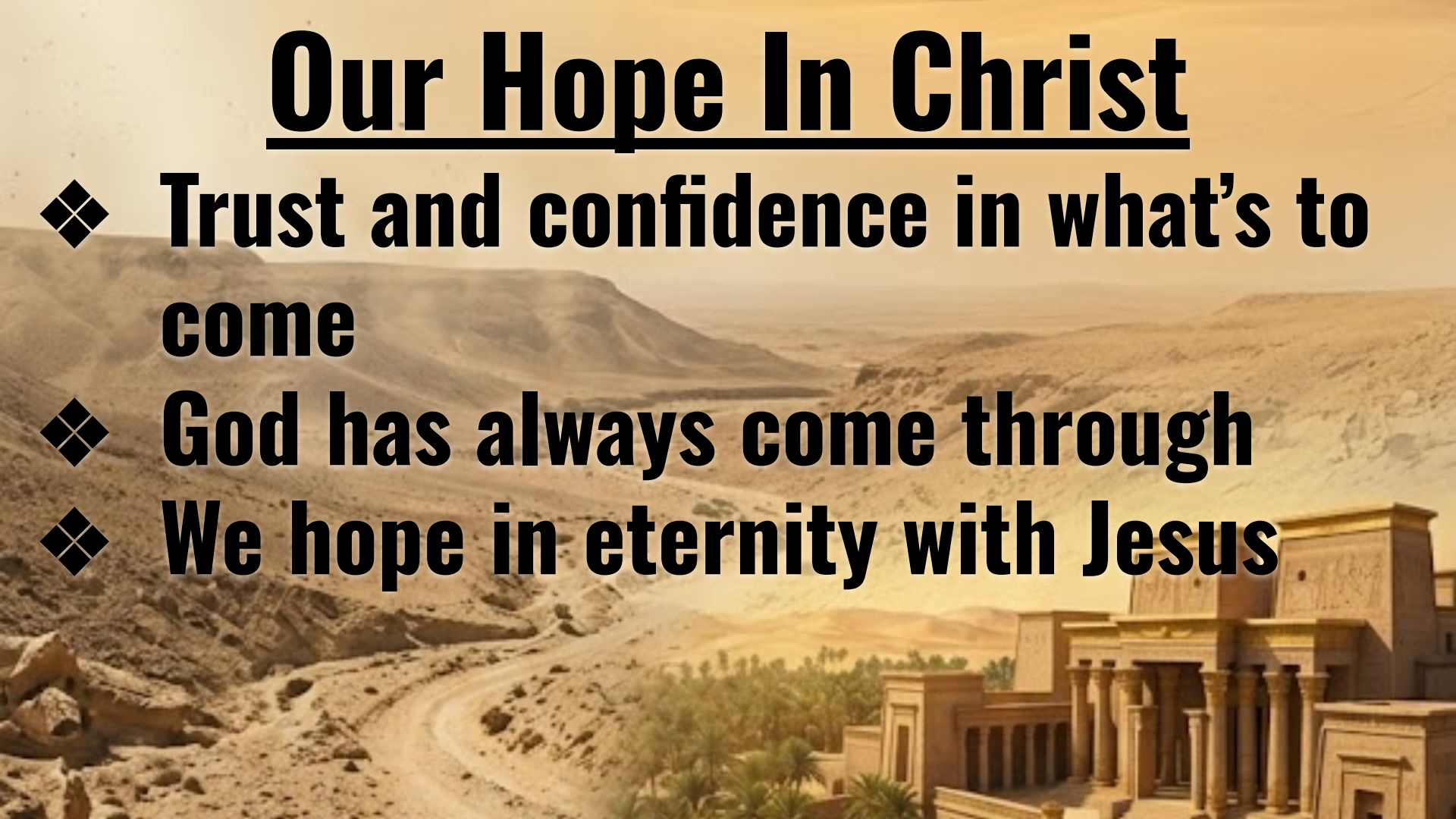
- ❖ **Giving**
- ❖ **Listening**
- ❖ **Word from the Lord**
- ❖ **Take something off of their plate**



DON'T STOP  
BELIEVIN!!!

# Our Hope In Christ

- ❖ **Trust and confidence in what's to come**
- ❖ **God has always come through**
- ❖ **We hope in eternity with Jesus**



# Sharing Hope

- ❖ **Point to the future without ignoring the present**
- ❖ **I'm in it and experiencing it**
  - **God is here and in it with us**



# The Redemption Arc

- ❖ **Forgiveness**
- ❖ **Reconciliation**
- ❖ **Provision**
- ❖ **Hope**

