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#### 1. Introduction

The story of Joseph is a profound narrative that illustrates the journey of a man chosen by God to fulfill a divine purpose. His life serves as a testament to resilience, faith, and the anointing that accompanies those who are called. In this booklet, we will explore the rich tapestry of Joseph's life, the significance of his coat, the hardships he faced, and the prophetic implications of his experiences. We will also delve into the ancient wisdom of sages and rabbis, uncovering the deeper meanings behind the symbols in Joseph's life.

## 2. The Life of Joseph: A Divine Assignment

Joseph, the favored son of Jacob, was destined for greatness. His dreams foretold a future where he would rise above his brothers, a prophetic calling that would lead him through trials and tribulations. Genesis 37:1-10 recounts his dreams and the jealousy they ignited in his brothers, setting the stage for the unfolding drama of his life. The sages teach that Joseph's dreams were not mere fantasies; they were divine revelations that signified his role as a leader and a savior for his family and, ultimately, for the nation of Israel.

3. The Cost of the Coat: Symbolism and Significance

Joseph's coat of many colors was not just a garment; it was a symbol of favor and blessing, representing the birthright firstborn blessing for salvation. The Hebrew term for the coat, סיְסָפ תְנֹתְכ (kethoneth passim), translates to "a long robe with sleeves." This coat represented Jacob's love and favoritism, setting Joseph apart from his brothers. When his brothers stripped him of this coat, it symbolized the stripping away of earthly favor and the beginning of his journey through suffering.

The coat serves as a covering of the covenant of protection, power, provision, and prosperity. The cost of the coat was high, as it foreshadowed the trials he would endure and the ultimate purpose God had for him. The sages often remark that the coat's loss was a necessary step toward Joseph's transformation, teaching us that sometimes God must strip us of our comforts to prepare us for our calling. This theme of loss leading to greater purpose resonates throughout the scriptures.

4. The Birthright Blessing: A Type and Shadow

The birthright blessing, often associated with the firstborn, carries deep spiritual significance. In Joseph's life, it symbolizes the anointing and calling of God. The birthright, which included material inheritance and spiritual leadership, was significant in Hebrew culture. Joseph, though not the firstborn, received a double portion of blessing through his sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which fulfilled the prophetic promise.

The birthright for the firstborn is also the baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire, with the evidence of speaking in tongues, which is essential for salvation and service. Just as Jesus is the fulfillment of the promise, so too was Joseph a type of Christ, embodying the principles of sacrifice, leadership, and redemption. The birthright blessing signifies the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, which equips believers to fulfill their divine assignments.

5. The Prophetic Colors of Joseph's Coat

In-Depth Study of the Colors

Each color of Joseph's coat can be seen as representing different aspects of his character and destiny. The following is an exploration of the colors, their Hebrew meanings, and their significance according to rabbinical teachings:

1. Red (םוֹדאָ / adom):

• Meaning: The color red symbolizes sacrifice, blood, and life. It serves as a reminder of the cost of redemption and the trials Joseph would endure.

• Significance: In Jewish tradition, red is often associated with strength and courage. It signifies the passion and zeal Joseph would exhibit in his leadership and foreshadows the ultimate sacrifice he would represent for his family.

2. Blue (לוֹחָכ / kachol):

• Meaning: Blue represents heaven and divinity. It reflects Joseph's connection to God's purpose and signifies the divine calling on his life.

• Significance: The sages teach that blue is a color of spiritual elevation. It indicates that Joseph's destiny was ordained by God, marking him as a leader who would guide others toward divine fulfillment.

3. Yellow (בוֹהָצ / tzahov):

• Meaning: Yellow signifies glory, joy, and light. It points to the future power Joseph would wield and the favor of God upon him.

• Significance: This color represents the light of God's favor shining upon Joseph, even in the darkest times. The sages view yellow as a reminder of the joy and hope that comes from divine blessing.

4. Green (קוֹרָי / yarok):

• Meaning: Green symbolizes life, renewal, and growth. It is indicative of the fruitful future that awaited Joseph.

• Significance: The green color represents the abundance and prosperity that would come as a result of Joseph's faithfulness. It also signifies the restoration of his family and the life that would emerge from his trials.

- 5. Purple (לוֹגָס / sagol):
- Meaning: Purple is a color of royalty and authority,

often associated with kingship. It signifies Joseph's eventual rise to power in Egypt.

• Significance: This color foreshadows Joseph's role as a leader and savior during the famine. According to rabbinical teachings, purple represents the royal destiny that awaited Joseph, highlighting his anointing as a king and priest.

#### The Significance of the Coat

The combination of these colors in Joseph's coat speaks to the multifaceted nature of his anointing, reflecting both the struggles and triumphs he would face. The coat itself is a powerful symbol of Joseph's identity as a prophet, king, and priest. It signifies his divine assignment and the unique anointing upon his life, setting the stage for his role in God's redemptive plan.

6. From the Pit to the Palace: The Journey of Joseph

Joseph's journey from the pit to the palace is a powerful metaphor for the trials we face in life. Each step—from being sold into slavery to his imprisonment—was part of God's divine plan to prepare him for leadership. His time in prison was not wasted; it was a time of preparation for the throne. The sages teach that God uses our trials to refine us, just as gold is refined in fire. Joseph's experiences illustrate that the path to greatness often involves suffering and perseverance. His steadfast faith in God during these trials serves as a model for us as we navigate our own challenges.

## 7. The Anointing and the Power of the Holy Ghost

The anointing upon Joseph's life parallels the anointing of the Holy Ghost in the lives of believers today. Just as Joseph was empowered to interpret dreams and lead a nation, so too are we empowered by the Holy Spirit to fulfill our divine assignments. The experience of speaking in tongues is the sign and evidence of receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost, marking our sonship and connection to God.

The rabbinical teachings emphasize that the Holy Spirit is a divine helper, guiding us in our purpose. In John 14:16-18, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as the Comforter, stating, "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." The Holy Spirit is not the third person of the Godhead; that is false doctrine. The Holy Ghost is a title for God. Jesus in his Deity is the Holy Ghost there is only one Deity and Jesus is the spirit undivided He is God 100 percent. There is no Trinity in all the bible .

As John 4:23-24 states, "God is a Spirit," and there is only one deity, one Spirit. This deity, this Spirit, is the Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Ghost has a name—His name is Jesus, as seen in Matthew 1:18-21.

Jesus is both the Father and the Son, robed in one person. He is the Holy Ghost, and He is the only one true God. As stated in 2 Corinthians 5:19 and Colossians 2:8-10, Jesus is God manifested in the flesh.

8. Rejection and Resilience: The Archer's Attack

Joseph faced rejection from his brothers, who presented false evidence of his death through his coat dipped in blood. This act of betrayal was akin to the archers shooting at him, as described in Genesis 49:23. The Hebrew word for "archers" (יבָשׁי / yoshevei) suggests those who attack from a distance, symbolizing the unseen attacks we may face in life. Yet, despite the attacks, Joseph remained steadfast, knowing that God's hand was upon him.

His resilience serves as an example for us when we face opposition. The sages remind us that resilience in the face of adversity is a hallmark of faith, and God often uses our struggles to strengthen our character and resolve.

9. The Sign and Evidence of the Holy Ghost is speaking in tongues (Mark 16:17, Acts 2:1-4, Luke

24:47-49, Acts 2:17, 38-39).

The experience of speaking in tongues is the sign and evidence of receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost. One does not have the Holy Ghost unless they speak in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. This is a manifestation of the Spirit of adoption, as seen in Galatians 3:13-14 and Galatians 4:4-7.

• Acts 2:4-38-39 states that when the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Day of Pentecost, the believers spoke in tongues, marking the beginning of the Church age.

- Luke 24:47-49 emphasizes the necessity of receiving power from on high to be effective witnesses.
- John 1:12-13 describes the transformative power of becoming children of God through faith.
- Acts 1:4-8 highlights that we are called to be witnesses, empowered by the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues .

The power of the Holy Ghost is likened to living water, as referenced in John 4:10-14 and John 7:37-39. This living water is a wellspring of life within us, enabling us to fulfill our divine calling.

The scriptures affirm that believers will speak in tongues is the sign of their faith and the indwelling of the Spirit of Christ Romans 8.9-14-15-17-26-27 (Mark 16:16-17; Acts 2:17-18). The Apostle Paul emphasizes in Romans 8:9-14, 26-27 the importance of being led by the Spirit, indicating that our relationship with God is deeply intertwined with the presence of the Holy Ghost within us with the evidence of speaking in tongues (Acts 3:19, Isa 28:1-10).

Water Baptism in Jesus' name for remission of sins and the baptism in the Holy Ghost, evidenced by speaking in tongues, are essential for salvation, as stated in Acts 2:38-39. This dual baptism signifies a complete immersion into the life of Christ, sealing us with the Holy Ghost of promise with the sign of sonship which is the sign of speaking in tongues

## 10. Fables and Wisdom from the Sages

The story of Joseph has inspired numerous fables and teachings from the sages and rabbis throughout history. Here are a few notable ones that highlight his character and the lessons learned from his life:

• The Fable of the Dreamer: One teaching tells of how Joseph's dreams were not just visions of grandeur but reflections of his inner struggles. The sages emphasize that dreams often reveal our aspirations and fears. Joseph's ability to interpret dreams was a divine gift, but it also required humility and wisdom to understand their meanings. • The Lesson of Forgiveness: Another fable recounts how Joseph, upon reuniting with his brothers, demonstrated the power of forgiveness. The sages teach that true strength lies in the ability to forgive those who have wronged us. Joseph's willingness to forgive and restore his family highlights the importance of reconciliation.

• The Wisdom of Suffering: The sages often reflect on Joseph's time in prison as a period of growth and preparation. They teach that suffering can lead to deeper understanding and compassion. Joseph's trials were not in vain; they shaped him into a leader capable of guiding others through their own hardships.

These fables serve to illustrate the timeless lessons found in Joseph's life, reinforcing the idea that our struggles can lead to greater purposes when viewed through the lens of faith.

## 11. Psalms and Reflections on Joseph

The Book of Psalms contains several verses that resonate with the themes of Joseph's life, reflecting his journey, struggles, and ultimate triumph. Here are some key passages that can be associated with Joseph:

• Psalm 105:17-22: "He sent a man before them,

Joseph, who was sold as a slave. They hurt his feet with fetters; he was laid in irons. Until the time that his word came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him. The king sent and released him; the ruler of the people let him go free. He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his possessions."

• Psalm 37:5-6: "Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him, and He will act. He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday."

• Psalm 105:1-4: "Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him; sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice! Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually!"

These verses encapsulate the essence of Joseph's journey, highlighting themes of faithfulness, divine testing, and the eventual vindication of God's chosen.

12. Conclusion: The Joseph Anointing in Our Lives

The life of Joseph is a powerful reminder that God has a divine purpose for each of us. The trials we face may be challenging, but they are often part of our preparation for greater things. The Joseph anointing is a call to embrace our destinies, to rise above our circumstances, and to trust in the Lord's plan for our lives. Just as Joseph went from the pit to the palace, we too can experience transformation and fulfillment in our divine assignments.

My booklet aims to inspire and encourage readers to recognize the Joseph anointing in their own lives, embracing the challenges and trusting in God's perfect timing and purpose. As we reflect on Joseph's journey, may we find strength in our trials and hope in the promises of God.

This comprehensive booklet provides an in-depth exploration of the life of Joseph, incorporating biblical truths, insights from Hebrew tradition, the significance of the Baptism in the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues is essential for Salvation and Service in the believer's life, and the wisdom of the sages. It serves as a rich resource for understanding the Joseph anointing and its relevance in contemporary faith.

The Joseph anointing signifies an increase and addition in every area of life, as the name Joseph means to add or increase. Through the lens of the sages and rabbinical teachings, we can see how the anointing upon Joseph's life serves as a model for our own journeys, encouraging us to embrace our divine assignments and the unique callings God has placed upon our lives.