**A Tale of Two Legacy’s**

**The Life of Joseph - God meant it for Good - Genesis 49:1-33 (part 19)**

**1) That which is hidden will be exposed v 49:1-4**

1Then Jacob called his sons and said: Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you what shall happen to you in days to come. 2Assemble and listen, O sons of Jacob, listen to Israel your father. 3Reuben, you are my firstborn, my might, and the firstfruits of my strength, preeminent in dignity and preeminent in power. 4Unstable as water, you shall not have preeminence, because you went up to your father's bed; then you defiled it--he went up to my couch!

**2) That which is confessed has been erased v** **49:8-12**

8Judah, your brothers shall praise you; your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies; your father's sons shall bow down before you. 9Judah is a lion's cub; from the prey, my son, you have gone up. He stooped down; he crouched as a lion and as a lioness; who dares rouse him? 10The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples. 11Binding his foal to the vine and his donkey's colt to the choice vine, he has washed his garments in wine and his vesture in the blood of grapes. 12His eyes are darker than wine, and his teeth whiter than milk.

**It’s not only a matter of what we did then, but what we didn't do then** *(confess/forsake)* **and must do now** *(confess/forsake)* **that dictates our legacy**

“Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer-Selah*.* Then I acknowledged my sin to You and did not cover up my iniquity. I said: I will confess my transgressions to the Lord-and You forgave the guilt of my sin-Selah. Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to You while You may be found.” **Psalm 32:1-6a NIV**

*“If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make Him out to be a liar and His word has no place in our lives. My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have One who speaks to the Father in our defense--Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins....”* **1 John 1:8-2:2a NIV**