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# Abraham



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## Genesis 15:5

“Look toward heaven, and number the stars,  
if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him,  
“So shall your **offspring** be.”



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Genesis 15:7

And he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you out from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this **land** to possess."



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## Genesis 22:17–18

I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and **in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed...**



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# Isaac



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## Genesis 26:3

... I will be with you and will bless you, for to you and to your offspring I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath that I swore to Abraham your father.



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# Jacob



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## Genesis 28:13–14

“I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth ... and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.



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# In the Garden



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Genesis 3:15

I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
**he shall bruise your head,**  
and you shall bruise his heel.




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**"For all the promises of God  
find their Yes in him."**

**(2 Corinthians 1:20)**



# *Embrace God's Promises*

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:35 NIV

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Genesis 50:20

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but God meant it for good, to bring it about  
that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.



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Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God  
**all things work together for good,**  
for those who are called according to his purpose.



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3. Genesis 50 is about the **Power of Faith**  
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## Genesis 50:15–18

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him."



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## Genesis 50:15–18

So they sent a message to Joseph, saying,  
“Your father gave this command before he died:  
‘Say to Joseph, “Please forgive the transgression of your  
brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.”’”



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## Genesis 50:15–18

And now, please forgive the transgression  
of the servants of the God of your father.” ...

His brothers also came and fell down before him and said,  
“Behold, we are your servants.”



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Genesis 50:21

So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.”  
Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.



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## Genesis 50:19–20

But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.



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## Genesis 49:23–24

The archers bitterly attacked him, shot at him,  
and harassed him severely, yet his bow remained unmoved;  
his arms were made agile by the hands of the Mighty One of  
Jacob (from there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel),



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Genesis 50:25

Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying,  
“God will surely visit you, and you shall  
carry up my bones from here.”



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## Hebrews 11:22

By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.



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Genesis 25:8

**Abraham** breathed his last and died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was **gathered to his people**.



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Genesis 35:29

And **Isaac** breathed his last, and he died and was **gathered to his people**, old and full of days.



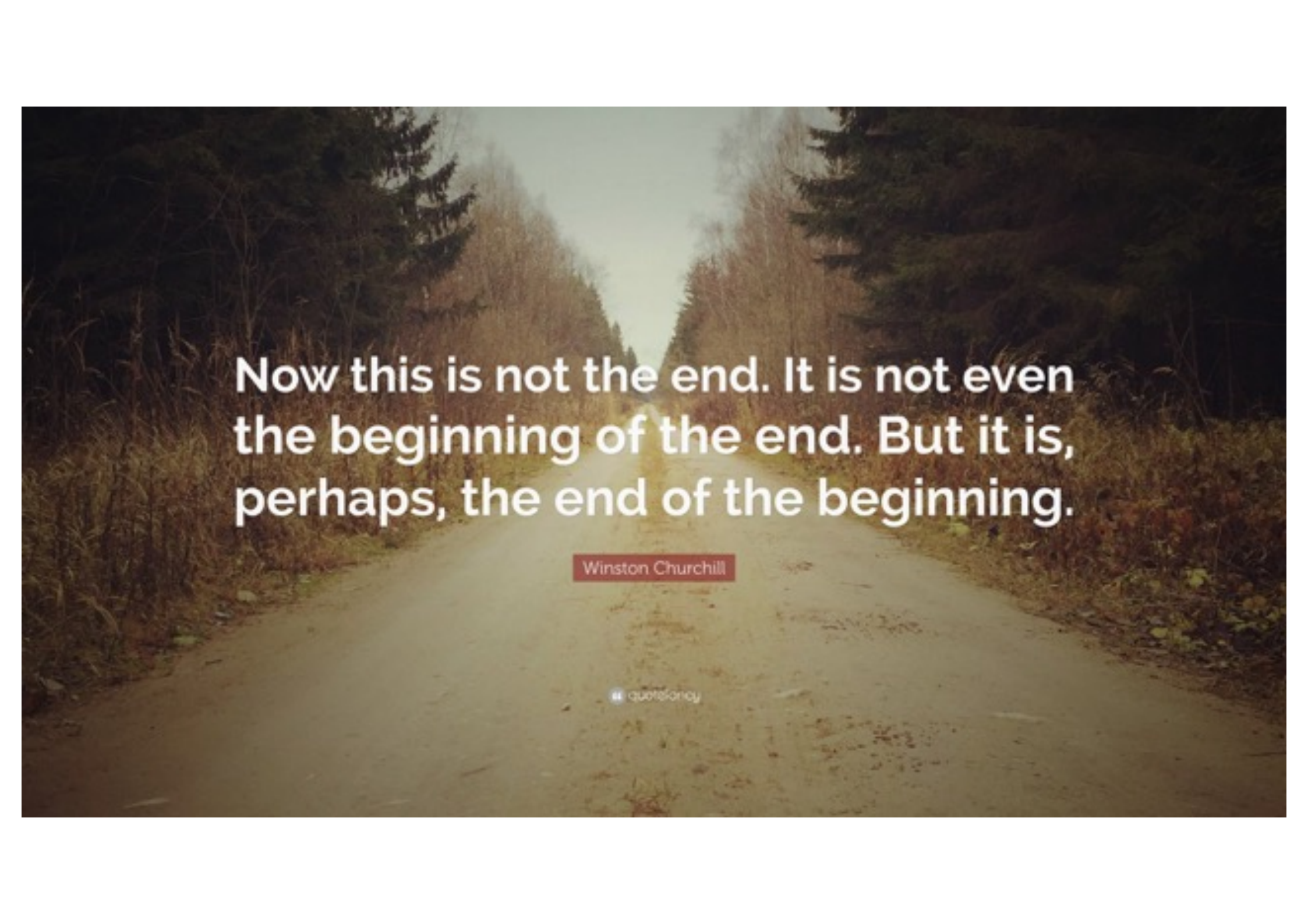
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Genesis 49:33

When **Jacob** finished commanding his sons, he drew up his feet into the bed and breathed his last and was **gathered to his people.**



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A photograph of a dirt road winding through a forest. The trees are mostly bare, suggesting autumn or winter. The road is light-colored and leads into the distance. The sky is overcast.

**Now this is not the end. It is not even  
the beginning of the end. But it is,  
perhaps, the end of the beginning.**

Winston Churchill

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