

~GOSHEN 1 (89)
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- **A region in Egypt where the Israelites resided for 215 years, 1728 1513 B.C.E.**
- **And you must dwell in the land of Goshen, and you must continue near me, you and your sons and the sons of your sons and your flocks and your herds and everything you have. (Genesis 45:10)**
- **And Israel continued to dwell in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen, and they became settled in it and were fruitful and grew to be very many. (Genesis 47:27)**
- **While the exact location of Goshen is uncertain, it appears to have lain in the eastern part of the Nile Delta, the entrance to Egypt proper. This is indicated by the fact that Joseph, leaving his Egyptian quarters, met his father, who was traveling from Canaan, at Goshen.**
- **And he sent Judah in advance of him to Joseph to impart information ahead of him to Goshen. After that they came into the land of Goshen. (Genesis 46:28)**
- **Then Joseph had his chariot made ready and went up to meet Israel his father at Goshen. When he appeared to him he at once fell upon his neck and gave way to tears upon his neck again and again. (Genesis 46:29)**
- **Greek Septuagint renderings indicate that Goshen was in the vicinity of the Wadi Tumilat.**
- **Pharaoh kept cattle at Goshen, and the Hebrews also pastured their flocks and herds there.**
- **Accordingly Joseph came and reported to Pharaoh and said; My father and my brothers and their flocks and their herds and all they have come from the land of Canaan, and here they are in the land of Goshen. (Genesis 47:1)**
- **After that they said to Pharaoh; We have come to reside as aliens in the land, because there is no pasturage for the flock that your servants have, for the famine is severe in the land of**

Canaan. And now let your servants dwell, please, in the land of **Goshen**. (**Genesis 47:4**)

- At that Pharaoh said to Joseph; Your father and your brothers have come here to you. (**Genesis 47:5**)
- The land of Egypt is at your disposal. Have your father and your brothers dwell in the very best of the land. Let them dwell in the land of **Goshen**, and if you know that there are among them courageous men, you must appoint them cattle chiefs over what is mine. (**Genesis 47:6**)
- And all of Joseph's household and his brothers and the household of his father. Only their little children and their flocks and their herds they left in the land of **Goshen**. (**Genesis 50:8**)
- The description of the region as the very best of the land of Egypt is apparently a relative term meaning the most fertile **pastoral** land, best suited for the particular needs of Jacob's family. **Goshen** may have been the same as the land of Rameses.
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- Thus Joseph had his father and his brothers dwell and he gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the very best of the land, in the land of Rameses, just as Pharaoh had commanded. (**Genesis 47:11**)
- Beginning with the fourth blow on Egypt, Yehowah specifically singled out **Goshen** to be left unharmed.
- And on that day I shall certainly make the land of **Goshen** upon which my people are standing distinct, that no gadfly may exist there, in order, that you may know that I am Yehowah in the midst of the earth. (**Exodus 8:22**)
- Only in the land of **Goshen**, where the sons of Israel were, there occurred no hail. (**Exodus 9:26**)