
DAILY READING

Genesis 43:15-22

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THE RETURN TO EGYPT

43 ¹⁵ The men took this gift, double the amount of silver, and Benjamin. They immediately went down to Egypt and stood before Joseph.

¹⁶ When Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to his steward, “Take the men to my house. Slaughter an animal and prepare it, for they will eat with me at noon.”

¹⁷ The man did as Joseph had said and brought them to Joseph’s house.

¹⁸ But the men were afraid because they were taken to Joseph’s house. They said, “We have been brought here because of the silver that was returned in our bags the first time. They intend to overpower us, seize us, make us slaves, and take our donkeys.” ¹⁹ So they approached Joseph’s steward and spoke to him at the doorway of the house.

²⁰ They said, “My lord, we really did come down here the first time only to buy food. ²¹ When we came to the place where we lodged for the night and opened our

bags of grain, each one's silver was at the top of his bag! It was the full amount of our silver, and we have brought it back with us. ²² We have brought additional silver with us to buy food. We don't know who put our silver in the bags."