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“Forever is long enough; and perfect is good enough!”

This quotation was used often by the late Elder Charlie Tucker of Clanton, AL. I appreciate Elder Mike Smith, who followed Elder Tucker as pastor of Bethel PBC, Clanton, AL., for sharing it with us after he read an article by Elder Harcrow that was in yesterday’s STW.

Genesis 45:28, “And Israel said, It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.”

Enough! In definition, enough can mean *‘as much or as many as required.’* Or, it can mean *‘the required degree or extent’*. An example used was seeing someone in undesirable behavior and one having their fill of it, not wanting to see this behavior any longer. Another example of enough, is *‘to be satisfied with what one has, not requiring anything additional’*.

This was the case with Israel (Jacob) in Genesis 45:28. The other sons of Jacob had gone into Egypt, seeking food as there was a famine in the land. And, while in Egypt, they found their provider (governor) was no less than their brother which they had tried to kill earlier. Joseph had laden them with the good things of Egypt, ***“with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way”*** (Gen. 45:23). It would have been great news for Jacob’s sons to return with enough (adequate) food to sustain them through the famine, but, the news was much greater than that.

In Genesis 45:26, Joseph’s brethren returning from Egypt ***“came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father, And told him, saying, Joseph is yet alive, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt”*** (Genesis 45:24-25). Israel at first did not believe them, wanting evidence it was so. His sons told him what Joseph had said and showed him all that he had sent home with them. Genesis 45:28 finds Israel (Jacob) saying, ***“It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.”***

There are times in our lives when things get hard, seemingly unbearable, and then we are reminded of our need to go and see the son, The Son of God, who is

alive and well, seated on the right hand of the Father on High, making intercession for us, and it is enough. We are given what we need to sustain us when we go to Him by faith. We have the only Saviour we will ever need. His Salvation is enough, both in time and eternal! The Perfect Will of God is enough. And, one day we will live in Paradise and it will be enough. The psalmist David said, **“As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness”** (Psalm 17:15). Truly, God’s promises are **“enough”**. *Think About It!*