## Elder Vernon Johnson Numbers Twenty

## Joseph was sold into Egyptian bondage for twenty pieces of silver

Gen 37:28 "Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for **twenty** pieces of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt."

Joseph is one of the strongest types of Christ in all of the bible. There are over one hundred parallels between the Old Testament account of the life of Joseph and the New Testament account of the life of Jesus Christ.

Joseph was sold by his brethren into Egyptian slavery. They were responsible for his being a **servant** in the land of Egypt. Under the covenant arrangement of God, Christ came into the world to save his people from their sins. It was because of the actions of his brethren that Christ came to the earth to **serve** under the law. In effect, we **sold** Jesus into the bondage of the law of sin and death.

Because of Joseph's service in the land of Egypt, he delivered his brethren from starvation and death and gave them a home in the best of the land of Egypt. Christ is always greater than the type. Christ came down to serve under the law of sin and death and ultimately pay the price for the redemption and deliverance of his brethren from the law of sin and death, and to deliver them from sin, the devil, hell, death and the grave. Further, he has provided for us a home in heaven itself.