

The Brothers at Joseph's Court, Genesis 44:18, 30-34

וַיֵּשֶׁב אֵלָיו יְהוֹזָדָה וַיֹּאמֶר בְּי אֲדֹנָי יְדֹכָר־נָא עֲבָדְךָ דָּבָר בְּאָזְנֵי אֲדֹנָי וְאַל־יִסַּח אִפְסָךְ בְּעַבְדְּךָ כִּי כַמּוֹד:
:כַּפְרָעָה: Then Judah went up to him and said, “Please, my lord, let your servant
appeal to my lord, and do not be impatient with your servant, you who are the
equal of Pharaoh.

44:30-34: “Now, if I come to
your servant my father and the boy is not with us—since his own life is so bound
up with his—

וְהָיָה כִּי־אֵין הַנְּעָר וְהוֹרִידוּ עִבְדֶיךָ אֶת־שֵׁיבַת עֲבָדְךָ אֶכְיֵנוּ בְּיָגוֹן שְׂאֵלָה:
when he sees
that the boy is not with us, he will die, and your servants will send the white head
of your servant our father down to Sheol in grief.

Now your
servant has pledged himself for the boy to my father, saying, ‘If I do not bring him
back to you, I shall stand guilty before my father forever.’

Therefore, please let your
servant remain as a slave to my lord instead of the boy, and let the boy go back
with his brothers.

For how can I go
back to my father unless the boy is with me? Let me not be witness to the woe that
would overtake my father!”