

# Genesis 42:1-38



**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS COME TO EGYPT  
(FIRST VISIT)**

# The Brothers' First Visit, 42:1-28



- Biblical Irony
- Use of Means, verse 2

# “Truth” Statement



Irresistible  
Force  
(God's  
**Absolute**  
Sovereignty)

# “Truth” Statement



Immovable  
Object  
(Human  
**Absolute**  
Freedom)

# Contradiction

Irresistible Force  
(God's **Absolute**  
Sovereignty)

Immovable Object  
(Human **Absolute**  
Freedom)

# Common Resolution



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Immovable Object  
(Human **Absolute**  
Freedom)

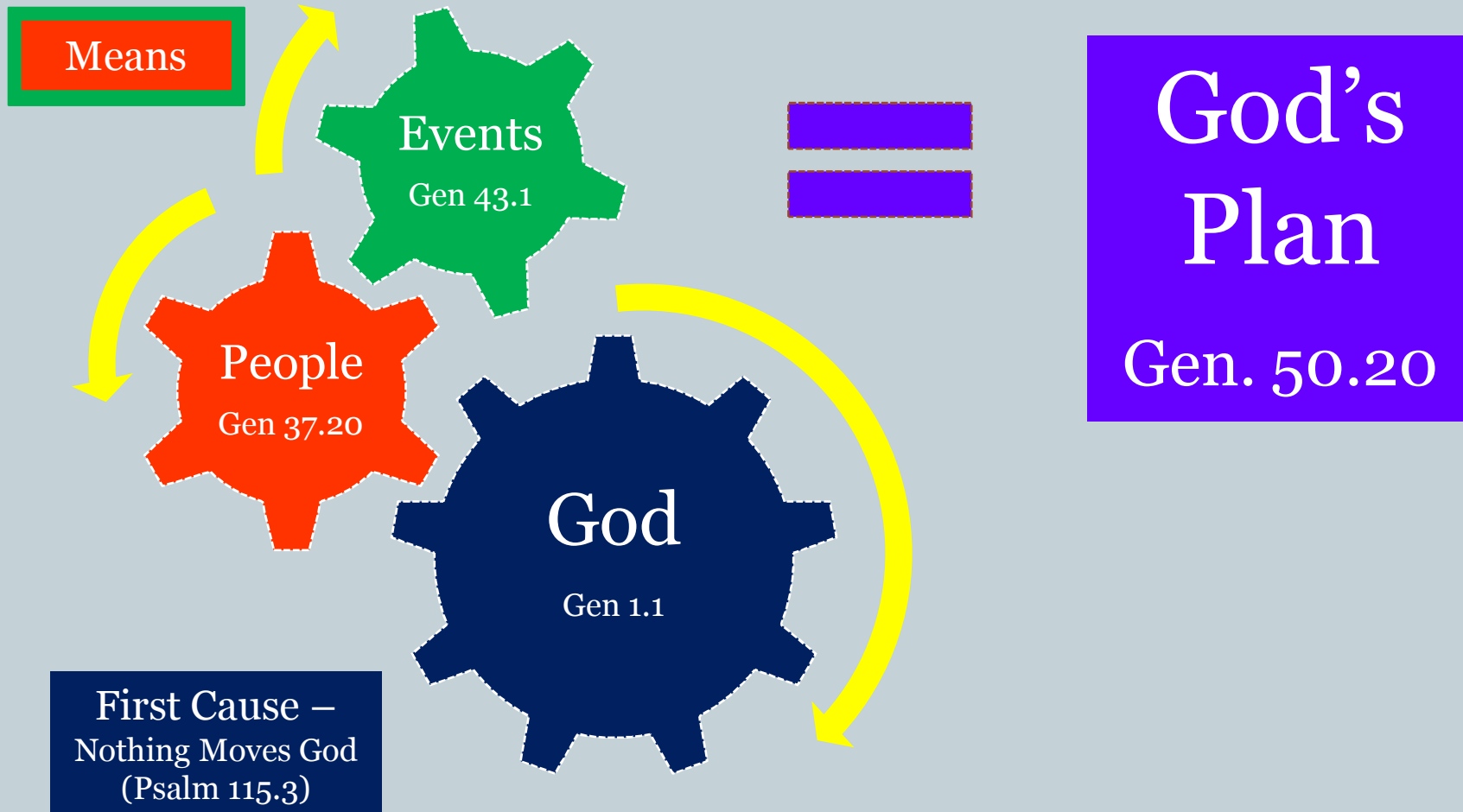
# Biblical Resolution



Irresistible Force  
(God's **Absolute**  
Sovereignty)

Immovable  
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# Biblical Providence



# The Brothers' First Visit, 42:1-28



- Biblical Irony
- Use of Means, verse 2
- Joseph's Disguise, verse 7
- Joseph Remembers the Dreams, verse 9
- “We are honest men,” v. 11
- “Unless your youngest brother comes here,” v. 15
- “He added them to prison,” v. 17 word play
- “For I fear God,” v. 18
- The Brothers' Confession, “Truly we are guilty,” v. 21
- “Reckoning for his blood,” v. 20
- “What is this that God has done to us? verse 28

## The Brothers Return without Simon, 42:29-38



- The brothers recount the story, vv. 29-34
- Jacob's lament, v. 36
- "All these things are against me," v. 36
- Reuben's intercession, v. 37
- Jacob's grief and refusal, v. 38