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Stained Glass In Medallion Representing The Biblical Episode 'benjamin Is Accused Of Theft'



480 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Glass

Diameter : 28,8

Description

Stained glass inset depicting chapter 44 of Genesis from the old testament "Benjamin is accused of theft". Stained glass window painted in grisaille and silver yellow set with lead, heightened with gilding on the lead on the back of the stained glass window. Chain for hanging the stained glass. Period late 19th, early 20th century
Dimensions of the painted part: diameter 25 cm

Extract from the Bible, Chapter 44 of Genesis of the Old Testament

Benjamin is accused of theft

Joseph ordered the steward of his house: Fill the bags with these men as much food as they can contain, and give everyone's money at the entrance of his bag. You shall put my cup, the

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silver cup, in the opening of the bag of the youngest, with the money for his wheat. The steward carried out Joseph's orders. The next morning, as soon as it was daylight, these people were let go with their donkeys. They had just left the city, and were not yet far from it, when Joseph said to his steward: Go, pursue these people! When you have joined them, you will ask them: "Why have you returned evil for good?" Why did you steal the cup my master uses for drinking and for reading omens? You have done wrong. So the steward caught up with them and spoke to them as his master had told him. They answered him, Why does my lord say such a thing? Your servants never thought of doing such an action! We brought you the money from the land of Canaan which we found when we opened our bags. Why then should we have stolen silver or gold from your master's house? May he of your servants with whom this cup is found be put to death, and we ourselves become slaves of my lord! The steward replied: Good! I take you at your word! The one on whom it is found will be my slave, but the others will be exonerated. They hastened to each place their bag on the ground and open it. The steward rummaged through their bags, starting with the older one and ending with the younger. And the cup was found in Benjamin's sack. 13 They tore their clothes, each one reloaded his ass, and they returned to the city. Judah went with his brethren to Joseph's house; he was still there; they bowed down to the ground before him. 15 Joseph said to them, What is this that you have done there? Did you not know that a man like me has the power of divination? Judah said: What shall we answer to my lord? What would we say? How to justify ourselves? God has exposed the fault of your servants. Here we are, then, my lord's slaves, we, and the one who had the cup in his sack. But Joseph said: It wouldn't occur to me to do so! The man in whose bag the cup was found will be my slave; but you, calmly return to your father. Judah offered himself in Benjamin's place Then Judah came forward and

said, Please, my lord, allow your servant to speak a word to my lord, and your anger does not kindle against your servant, for you are there. equal of the pharaoh. The first time, my lord questioned his servants, asking them: "Do you have a father or another brother? "And we replied to our Lord:" We have an elderly father and a young brother who was born to him in his old age and whose brother died, this one is the only remaining son of his mother, and his father. love it. "You commanded your servants:" Bring him to me so that I may see him with my own eyes. We replied to my Lord: "The young boy cannot leave his father; otherwise it will die. Then you declared to your servants: "If your younger brother does not come with you, you will no longer be admitted into my presence. When we returned to your servant my father, we told him my lord's words. And when our father said: "Go back there to buy us some food", we replied: "We can only go back on condition that we take our young brother, because if he is not with us, we will not be admitted to this man. "So your servant, my father, said to us:" You yourselves know that my wife gave me two sons. The first, who left my house, was, I think, devoured by a wild beast, and to this day I have never seen him again. You take this one again to take it away from me; if bad luck happens to him, you will kill me in pain at my old age. Now therefore, if I return to your servant, my father, without bringing with us the young man to whom he is so attached, when he sees that the boy is not there, he will die, and your servants will be responsible for it. 'having killed in pain in his old age. For I, your servant, have taken responsibility for the young man before my father; I told him, "If I don't bring him back to you, I'll be guilty of my father forever." Now therefore, I pray you, allow your servant to remain as a slave of my lord instead of the young man, and that he set out again with his brothers. How could I go back to my father without the boy? Ah, may I not be a witness to the misfortune that would strike my father!

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