

JOSEPH

in

LOCKDOWN

Genesis 39



Hi Moms, Dads, Guardians and Carers,

Lockdown does not need to be your Shutdown as a family.

We are living in extraordinary times where our tomorrows will not look like our yesterdays. As the new year turned over just a few months ago, who would have thought of THIS NEW YEAR?

The world seems to be shutting down as we know it with all its practices! What we took as normal everyday living has changed! Who would have thought even churches would be impacted in their attendances and restrictions.

We have just taken these to be our daily living experiences.

What are our daily schedules made up of? It is time filled by events and appointments whether social or business demanding our attention. We do a little of this and a little of that then we come home only to do the same thing tomorrow.

YET in a moment of time, Without saying a word or planned there are no theatres, no partying, no travelling, no going anywhere. All our daily habits have now being cancelled. What do we do?

For families, "home Schooling" for a season will be your new normal as school gatherings are shut down.

This is an amazing opportunity to change all the habits that made us family poor and time poor.

How many times have we wished for just another hour where we could spend with those who really mean the world to us Yet could not due to schedules. This is a GREAT opportunity to hit the

RESET BUTTON and begin by putting in place the things that are important. Life will be different after this virus SO WHY NOT make it the BETTER DIFFERENT for you and your family. CHOOSE today to RESET and REPLACE the BUILDING BLOCKS that will give your family HEALTHY

FAITH. The wonderful thing about FAITH, it can grow in any environment. Difficult places and times do not limit our Faith in God. or God's Ability to encounter you and your family.

LOCKDOWN Family Faith is a resource to help you make this possible. It has always being God's Heart and Desire that FAMILY is FIRST CHURCH. Your local church and every other group are the CHEER Squad to encourage you as you nurture your Children's Faith.

This is your OPPORTUNITY to GROW TOGETHER in your faith Journey as a Family.

May this resource be the beginning of many happy and Blessed times with your family.

This parent guide will help you plan creative and interactive family encounters with God. T

his has been a GLOBAL INITIATIVE as many Kids & Family Ministry leaders have shared ideas for each lesson.

God Bless you and your family.

Blessings



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A FREE RESOURCE TO SHARE WITH FAMILIES AROUND THE WORLD

How do you plan a session of Lockdown Faith?

There are a number of components to each session. We have made a simple format as per this page:

You have been given a manual (PDF) called “**CREATIVE LOCKDOWN FAITH RESOURCES**” which covers three of the components mentioned here namely:

Bible Memory Verse
Creative Story Telling Ideas
Praise & Worship YouTube Links

These are **MIX & MATCH** lessons giving you the freedom to **CHOOSE** the way you want to present the Memory Verse and Creative Story Telling idea. Praise and Worship will happen through YouTube Video clips: We have chosen the ones that have the lyrics appear on the screen so you can sing along as a family.

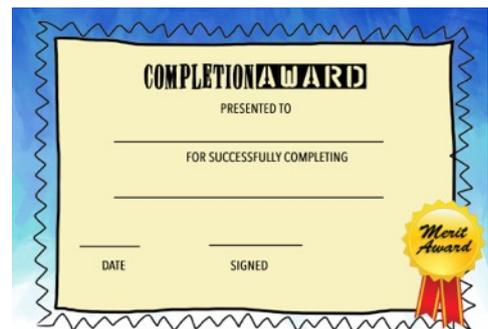
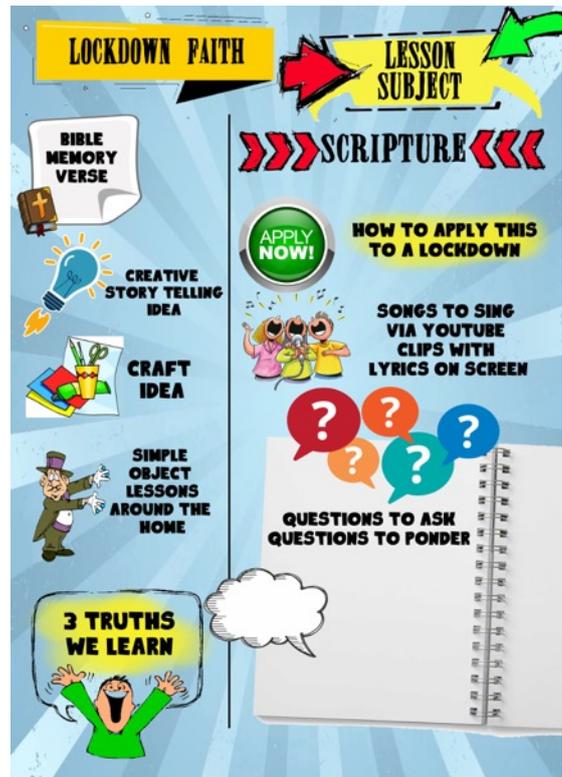
Each session has a **CRAFT idea** that your children can make.

Some sessions will have an **OBJECT Lesson**. We have focused on Object lessons that you can find around the home or are able to make them.

Each session will share **3 TRUTHS** that come out of the lesson. Each lesson will deal with a different Bible person who found themselves in a **LOCKDOWN**. How did they react and respond. These will be very important for your children as they face different forms of Lockdown.

APPLY NOW is the Application of the lesson truths. These will give practical ideas on how your family can respond and react to your Lockdown.

Your Children have a “**KIDS JOURNAL**” manual that has pages that they will work through. Take a moment to go through their Journal so you will know how they will be responding to the sessions. In this Parent Guide we will give you a copy of their pages correlating to the lesson shared. we will also give you insights and ideas on how to motivate your children to participate. At the end of this **PARENT GUIDE** will be a number of **CERTIFICATES** that have been created as incentives. You can **ADD** a prize as you wish.



To give **STRUCTURE** to the Family Gathering we are suggesting you have a combination of **FUN - FELLOWSHIP and FAITH Encounters.**

CROWD BREAKERS and GAMES

Families that **PLAY TOGETHER** Stay together. These games could include board games, charades, competitions etc. Each session will give you ideas that you can use.

SNACK & YAK

Some of the best Family times happen around eating.

Understand that this lockdown season is difficult for every member of the family. There is so much that is **UN-NORMAL** and out of routine. Snacks could be a wonderful treat each week you get together. **YAK** is another word for CHATTING or Speaking together.

We live in a very digital world. This generation of children are known as Digital Natives. They are **FOREVER CONNECTED** to their electronic devices. This may be the “NORMAL” in your home. Make these sessions **Device “FREE”** (It may be withdrawn symptoms in the beginning but press through)

Use this time to speak together.

In each session we will Give your family a number of questions to interact with to get discussion and Yakking going.

PRAYER

Through each lesson we will give you Target areas to pray as well as ideas on **HOW to PRAY.** The Bible says that the Prayers of a Righteous person are **EFFECTIVE and POWERFUL.**

We want to take your children on a journey of becoming **EFFECTIVE Prayer Warriors.**

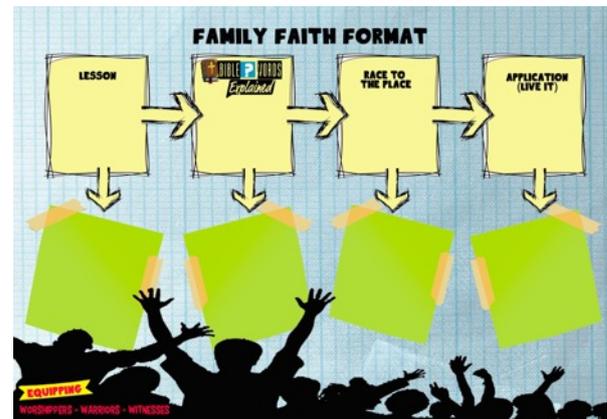
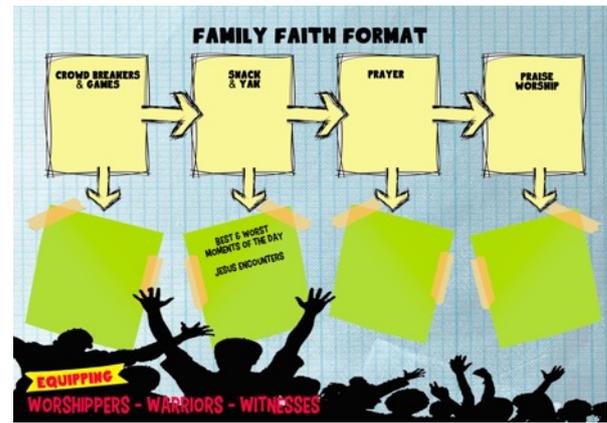
You will note on some of the Kids Journal Pages the words :**WORSHIPPERS - WARRIORS - WITNESSES**

When you look at your children; **WHAT DO YOU SEE?** Do you know that God sees so much more than we do!

GOD Sees POWERFUL WEAPONS that will bring down the enemy. You will learn more about this in the sessions.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

This is more than simply singing some fast and slow songs. Our Worship and Praise is very **POWERFUL Weapon.** We will learn these truths in these sessions.



LESSON

We have already covered this on page 3

BIBLE WORDS EXPLAINED

If there are any Bible Words that are not understood, there will be an **EXPLANATION** given in the session.

RACE TO THE PLACE

There are number of Bible verses that will be shared in each lesson. Race to the Place will give your children to opportunity to FIND the Bible Verses for themselves.

If you have more than one child who can read make this a RACE to see who can find the verse first. **Award a Certificate** for the the Winner in this session.

APPLICATION (APPLY NOW)

This is a very important part of your session

This is WHERE the Lesson is **MADE**

PRACTICAL

How do you live the truth shared in the lesson?

Each session will give your family a number of ways to make this truth relevant and liveable.

HEBREW PRAISE Words

In each session we will introduce one of the Hebrew Words used for Praise. Each will help you family to express Praise and Worship in different ways.

ALLOW your WHOLE FAMILY the opportunity to participate, create, share and prepare the sessions. The more your Children are involved in creating the session, the greater will be their connection and participation. YES, it may get a little or lot messy but whenever family are around a table, you can expect that. Have FUN

FAMILY OPTIONS WITH THIS LESSON

Lesson #1

Have a Movie night watching Joseph King of Dreams. The Animation is spectacular. Don't forget to bring out the popcorn

This will give your family an overview of the life of Joseph.



Lesson #2

Forgiveness

We see from Joseph's life that it was marked by forgiveness. If we compare him to his brothers, the contrast is stark.

His brothers chose to allow jealousy to drive them, which resulted in bitterness and anger filling their lives and choices.

Joseph, who was wronged and had every reason to allow anger and bitterness to consume him, YET he CHOSE FORGIVENESS.

These "Seeds of Forgiveness" are 25 Bible verses encouraging FORGIVENESS.

The basis of our forgiveness is that God forgave us EVEN when we DID NOT deserve it. It is out of that forgiveness that we FORGIVE.

Lesson #3

The Joseph Lesson (Pages to)

There are a number of amazing truths that come out of the life and story of Joseph. You can use a number of nights to give them in BITE SIZE rather than rushing them all in one night. This would be our recommendation.



Lesson #4

Craft Night

There are a number of crafts to be completed as seen on this page.

Craft #1

The Joseph Coat can be done in a number of ways. Either using Brown Butcher paper or Newspaper, have the family create a Joseph Coat.

Colour with painted stripes or Colour Stripes of paper.

Have your children do a "CatWalk" demonstration of the Coat once completed. If you have more than one child, allow each of them to make their own to display.

Craft #2

Film Frames and Camera

Print this craft onto Card or paper. Follow instructions. Your child will create 5 Frames of Joseph Story to glue to the Film Frames.

Cut two slices on dotted lines to allow the Film Frame to pass through.

Have the family "Watch" the story once completed.



Craft #3

Origami Coat

Watch the Youtube Clip on how to make an Origami Coat or follow instructions.

Origami Coat. Youtube Instructions:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b4auVUU15tI)

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Just create stripes with your crayons or colour pens.



Lesson #5

Nurturing Dreams

In Joseph's life these were not natural dreams that he had. They were Supernatural dreams given by God. God still speaks through Dreams and Visions. It is important that we do Nurture these in our children.

It was BECAUSE of these Divine Dreams that Joseph's family survived in the future.

The devils rat trap dreams are to have everyone become duplicates of everyone else rather than NURTURING the UNIQUE gifting of the individual.

This is a whole teaching in itself. We are called as parents to UNFOLD rather than MOLD our children into the Duplicates, Carbon copies of everyone else. This becomes an IDENTITY ISSUE. We can never Become WHO God created us to be when we are being forced into the Mold of Duplicate.

Our DESTINY is connected to our IDENTITY. When we don't know who we are, We will not know where we are going.

See Page () for this Short Lesson teaching.

Dreaming God's Dreams

Another WORD for DREAM

WHAT KIND OF DREAM did Joseph Have?

GENESIS 37 Joseph the DREAMER

JOSEPH KING OF DREAMS

What Kind of Dreams does God GIVE?

SUPER NATURAL DREAMS

THE DEVILS **RAT TRAP** DREAMS

DRAW some of the things Joseph SAW in his dream

UNIQUE VS DUPLICATE

LOCKDOWN FAITH

The worksheet features a cartoon man dreaming, a rat in a trap, a gift box, and a girl sleeping. It includes several writing lines and a large drawing area.

Session #3

LOCKDOWN FAITH WITH JOSEPH

CROWD BREAKERS & GAMES

You will need:

Tray

10 Items from your home

Covering Cloth

This is a simple game of Memory.

Have 10 items on a tray covered by the cloth. Give each member of the family an opportunity to see how many items they can remember once the cloth has been removed. Give one minute for them to study the items then replace the cloth. See who can remember the most.

Allow your children to create a tray for the parents.

SNACK & YAK

You will need:

M&M's

Jelly Beans

Allow each member of your family to pull out one colour of M&M or Jelly Bean depending which one you choose to use.

Then follow the instructions on the page. Encourage and Cheer each other on as they share.

Choose a Snack or finger meals that your family enjoy. Surprise them with one of their favourites.



Using a packet of Jelly Beans have your family pull a colour out of the packet. According to the colour, follow the instructions

-  A Bible **VERSE** or story you would like to know more about
-  Who is there right now that you can make a phone call to give them some encouragement?
-  What is your **FAVOURITE** Bible Verse and **WHY?**
-  What are you more **GRATEFUL** for now since the Lockdown?
-  What **NEW** Skill would you like to learn during the Lockdown?
-  Give One **POSITIVE** Because of the Lockdown
-  One thing you appreciate about your Teachers at School
-  What new thing have you discovered that you like to do since the lock down?

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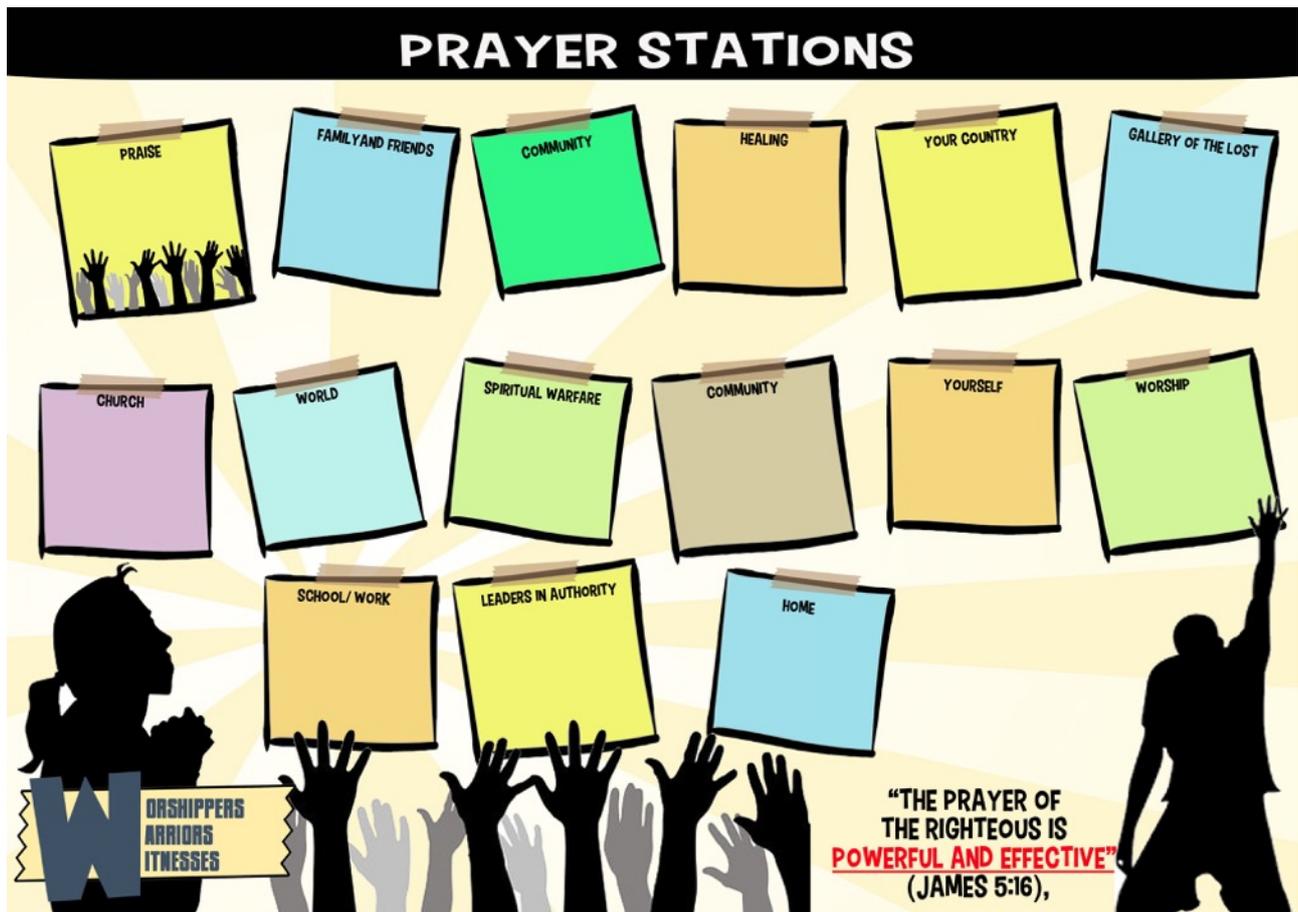
M&M Marvelous Me

Using a packet of M&M's have your family pull a colour out of the packet. According to the colour, follow the instructions

-  A **Blessing of God** Beginning with the Letter "**_____**". Choose a Letter or a few
-  A **Fun Activity** you would like to do this week
-  The **First** thing you want to do when this lockdown is over.
-  A way we could **Bless** someone today
-  Share something about **YESTERDAY**
-  A **PRAYER** you are wanting God to **ANSWER**

LOCKDOWN FAITH

PRAYER TIME



We will use our Prayer time to set up two or three Prayer Stations around the home. There are 14 Stations mentioned above. Choose 2 or 3. Have your family pray over those areas. Are there specific needs you want to pray over. During this week of Pray time choose another 2 or 3 and pray over those. You can use this form of prayer on a regular basis.

YADAH PRAISE

INTRODUCTION

This is an ACTION Word - a VERB - a DOING Word. Praise cannot be passive. It involves MOVEMENT

YAD which means the open hand, direction, power. And **AH** which has reference to Jehovah. Together they are rendered **Hands to God.**

MEANS

To Extend the Hand
to throw out the hand
to lift up your hands

There is a **Sacrifice of Praise** when you Give Yadah Praise.

[Jeremiah 17:26](#); [33:11](#) and [Hebrews 13:15](#)).

LESSON POINTS

Psalm 63:4 -- "Thus I will bless You while I live, I will (YADAH) lift up my hands in Your name"

What Does YADAH Praise look like?

Lifting Hands

in Surrender or

Thanksgiving - THANK FUL to God

This is worship with extended hands and it signifies a deep surrender to God and a heart that desires to pay tribute to Him.

IT IS MEANT TO BE A "THANK YOU" TO OUR HEAVENLY FATHER.

The word pictures associated with the root words for this type of praise is **shooting an arrow or throwing a rock**. It literally means to extend the hands, or to shoot and arrow.

OBJECT LESSONS

White Flag (Used for Surrender)

Raising the hands is an international sign of surrender. A worshipping person raises hands in adoration and surrender to God.

Reasons why we RAISE our Hands

Raised to Praise

Raised to Confess

Raised to Give Thanks

Raised in Surrender to God

Used when we are in desperate trouble and need Victory

We Raise our Hands In SURRENDER to God

Another Picture

Picture of a Child Running with Arms Extended wanting to be picked up in their parent's Arms. Visualise a small child who wants to be picked up. They extend their hands high above their heads in a sign of surrender and desire to be held. You could also use the image of throwing or shooting your praise outwardly to God instead of holding it in. Have your children lift or extend their hands.

It carries the meaning of absolute surrender as a young child does to a parent - "pick me up, I'm all yours".

See also Genesis 29:35, 2 Chronicles 7:6, 20:21, Psalm 9:1, 28:7, Psalm 33:2, 42:5,11, 49:18, Isaiah 12:1 Psalm 100:4, 134:2, 27:1, 28:7, 33:2, 42:5, 44:8, and 141:2. Psalm 63:4, psalm 107:8

Psalm 134:2

Psalm 141:2

Psalm 107:15

2 Chronicles 20:19-21

Jehoshaphat (2 Chronicles 20:19-21)

“as they went out before the army and were saying: “Praise (YADAH) the LORD For His mercy [endures] forever.”

Here the word YADAH means to “Let God be known in Public”

This is what King Jehoshaphat of Israel did when his tiny nation was besieged and almost overran by the enemy nations of the Ammonite and Moabite.

On that dreadful day, the king instructed the "...Levites from the sons of the Kohathites..." [to go] out before the army, and to say, Praise the Lord, (that is, YADAH); for His mercies endureth for ever."

What the Levites did on that day was to lift up their hands to God in Yadah Praise, thereby, thoroughly exposing their defencelessness and vulnerability to the vicious nations gathered around them. It wasn't until they had faithfully obeyed the king's command before a prophet in the land came up with a definite instruction from the Almighty God Himself of what they should do!

Yadah Praise brought a great victory on that day.

PRACTICE

Psalm 50:23

"**Whoso** offers praise **glorifies me**; and to him that orders his conversation aright will I show the salvation of God."

"...**Whoso** offers praise glorifies me..."

Firstly, this phrase is a careful application of Yadah praise.

It is first, a **freewill, voluntary offering**.

It is Voluntary - an exercise of the power of Choice

Our Praises are **aimed at glorifying God**, no matter what we are going through

Yadah praise is also a '**showing forth**' or a **bold declaration** - God will make Public His Answers. Others will see it.

When we YADAH God, He SHOWS Himself Strong on our behalf.

SEEK & SOAK

With seek & soak music in the background, Allow the children to find a space where they will be able to YADAH God.

Lifting Hands

in Surrender or Thanksgiving - THANK FUL to God

Raised to Praise

Raised to Confess

Raised to Give Thanks

Raised in Surrender to God

Lesson #4

Yadah Praise

You will Need:

White cloth or flag

Instrumental Music from Praise & Worship YouTube Clips.

Give a short Teaching on Yadah Praise.

Then give your family opportunity to practice this form of Praise

The Larger A4 size page is in your Children's Journal pages.

Have them look up the Bible Verses.

Take note of the REASONS for this type of Praise:

To Praise; to Confess, to give Thanks, to Surrender.

Encourage your family to respond to what they sense God is saying in their Spirit

Are there things God is challenging them to SURRENDER?

Are there things happening in your family that are DESPERATE that you need a Breakthrough of VICTORY. Have your family YADAH God and believe for Breakthrough.

We continue to focus on GOD'S GOODNESS.

See how your family are doing with A-F in finding ways to Express Thankfulness because of God's Goodness.

See Lesson #1 & #2

Encourage your Children to Enter God's Presence (Gates) with THANKSGIVING and His Courts with PRAISE

LOCKDOWN FAITH

WORSHIPPERS OF THE KING

Fuel up
YOUR MEMORY

ABUNDANT GOODNESS OF GOD

ENTER HIS GATES

MY ALPHABET OF GOD'S GOODNESS

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Write a HEART PRAISE for TWO of the Good Things of God in your Life From your Above Alphabet

Write your praise here:

JOSEPH STORY

His whole story is found in Genesis chapters 37 - 50
Why don't you spend sometime reading his whole story.

PROJECT

#1 create a Comic of the story of Joseph. Choose scenes from when Joseph is thrown into the Pit by his brothers then sold into slavery. You can use 3-4 pages of the Comic pages in your Kids Journal

#2 Act of the Story of Joseph. Create scenes of where the Bible says "And God was with him"

Crafts

Create Joseph's Coat of many colours using Brown Butcher paper or Newspaper. You can paint the stripes of colours.



Origami Paper Coat

Make an easy coat

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b4auVUU15tI>



Skit Script

https://www.teachingalways.com/christian-education-single-skits?fbclid=IwAR2NGJ-I-MctyHzqq_QpxT4Yiyiw-x28jPkpCsEGXQvXGFrj2G55e2n8bXo



Youtube Video Clips of parts of Joseph Story

God's Story: Joseph (3 min 48 sec)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NQ7wLTBnF84>

The Story of Joseph Part #1 (5 min 27 sec)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8g64jRGLglw>

The Story of Joseph Part #2 (5 min)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qDKzxuk7zI0>

The Story of Joseph Part #3 (7 min 39 sec)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DbvZA-CrneA>

The Story of Joseph Part #4 (6 min 11 sec)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZDqDaN58s0>

Joseph and his Brothers Beginners Bible (48 min)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jy1DpebexTQ>

You can watch these short video clips as a family over a few nights.

JOSEPH LIFE STORY

use one of the Creative Story Telling ideas from the Creative Resource Manual you received with Lesson #1

The life of Joseph is one of the most amazing stories in the Bible—better than the best Hollywood movies. It has everything needed for a major movie story. Joseph Saw it all.

But he was pretty unfortunate early in life— hated by his brothers, sold into slavery, falsely accused, and then imprisoned for the crime he didn't commit. **Sometimes, things happened beyond our control.**

Lockdown is not your Shutdown.

God had spoken to Joseph about Plans and Purposes of his future. God gave Joseph a dream. Way down deep in his heart he knew that God had a big vision for his life.

What dream has the Lord given you? Write it down. Pray over it and most of all use wisdom before you share it with others.

As a follower of Jesus, we are not living in a random world with uncontrolled events that make us victims of what is going on.

Nothing can derail (Obstruct, divert, Draw Away, Detour) God's Plans and Purposes for your life

Right now all over the world there are guys and girls your age who are in lockdowns, quarantines where it seems their futures are on hold. Some are worried about the thought that it will affect their final results of exams and levels for grade passes.

From Joseph's life we learn

"As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good..." (Genesis 50:20a).

What the enemy (devil) means for evil, God can turn around for our good.

Joseph knew setbacks. Most of them found him in a lockdown.

The first one happened because of his brothers

I don't know if you have brothers and sisters? There is this thing called sibling Rivalry

Sibling (Another name when you have brothers and/or sisters

Rivalry (Competitiveness, feuding.

In some households it can be bad. It was more than Bad in Joseph's family household.

Joseph came from a highly dysfunctional family. Today, we might call it a "blended" family (the 12 brothers were born of 4 different mothers), and the brothers always seemed to be fighting. About the only thing that united his brothers was their hatred of him.

They allowed Jealousy, Anger and bitterness to make them do things that would forever be remembered even until today.

They allowed Jealousy, anger and bitterness to grow until it became HATE. Because his brothers hated him, Joseph ended up thrown into a pit, sold into slavery, and ultimately accused of a crime he didn't commit – he was thrown into prison.

Joseph's brothers had actually planned to kill him, but their greed overcame their hatred long enough for them say:

"What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all (pause) **he is our brother, our own flesh and blood.**" Genesis 37:26-27

Then they soaked Joseph's coat of many colours in goat's blood and brought it back to their father and watched callously with out any feelings about their Dad's sadness as their father cried out in heart break, tore his garments and mourned for days.

Sometimes things happen that are beyond our control.

For Joseph his brothers hate of him caused him to end up in a number of lockdowns in his life.

For a lot of people this would have been a setback that would have caused them to Shutdown. Maybe become angry and bitter.

SOMEONE ONCE SAID "IT IS WHEN YOU ARE KNOCKED THEN WE SEE WHAT IS REAL THAT COMES OUT"

"If **lips and life** do not agree, the testimony will not amount to much."

H. A. Ironside

Let your life and lips say the same thing.

God is with you.

HOW DID IT GET TO THIS PLACE FOR JOSEPH

READ GENESIS 39: 1 -

Jacob his father looked upon him as the favourite son.
What did his father do to show his favouritism?

What caused his brothers to become jealous and angry?

Joseph's Dreams

Throughout his life, God blessed Joseph with the ability to interpret dreams. They had seen it first hand. Infant they were very much a part of the Dreams. They didn't see it as a great thing. They hated the thought that they may be bowing down before Joseph.

See Short Teaching as separate on page () on God's Dreams.

THAT COAT

The gift of the coat didn't help Joseph with his brothers. When his father had given him a beautiful coat with many colors, his siblings got jealous of him. As a result, they pulled off his fancy coat and threw him into the cistern.

Joseph is the first son of Jacob by Rachel. Since Jacob loved Rachel more than Leah and his concubines, it is a natural thing for Jacob to love Joseph more than his other children. For this reason, Joseph's brothers resented and hated him. This resentment even grew when Jacob gave a highly decorated coat to Joseph.

Joseph had experienced God's Presence and Protection throughout his life in the midst of misfortune, troubles, hardships and disasters.

He spent years in jail for choosing not allow sin to capture his heart, and he was forgotten by those he helped for quite some time.

He still kept his faith.

There is a **ONE LINER** throughout his whole story:

Genesis 39: 2 "**The LORD was with Joseph**, and he became a successful man, serving in the household of his Egyptian master."

Genesis 39:3 "And his master saw that **the Lord was with him** and that the Lord made all that he did to flourish and succeed in his hand.

Genesis 39:21 “But **the LORD was with Joseph** in the prison and showed him his faithful love. And the LORD made Joseph a favorite with the prison warden.”

Genesis 39:23 “The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under his hand; because **the LORD was with him**, and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper.”

The Lord was WITH HIM.

I wonder if Joseph may have thought “ Lord can you not BE WITH ME somewhere else. NOT in this LOCKDOWN.

Nobody wants to be in a Lockdown (Prison)

God’s Blessings upon Joseph

The life of Joseph might have begun with the wrong note. He was loved by his father so much – something he has no control of – to the point that his brothers resented to the point of hating him. Because of this, his brothers sold him and was brought to a foreign and unfamiliar land.

After about 11 years of faithful service to Potiphar, he was rewarded with ***imprisonment for something he did not do.***

When he was in prison, he met Pharaoh’s chief butler and baker. Both of these prisoners had a dream and Joseph interpreted the dreams for them. The butler’s dream meant that he will be reinstated to Pharaoh’s house while the baker was hanged. All these happened according to Joseph’s interpretation of their dreams.

After the showing goodness to the butler, Joseph was again repaid with unkindness. Instead of remembering Joseph after the butler’s release, the butler forgot Joseph (Genesis 40:23).

When all hopes seem to fade and vanish, Pharaoh had a troubling dream that no one in his court was able to interpret. All of a sudden, the butler remembered Joseph and mentioned him to the Pharaoh.

The pharaoh immediately sent and called Joseph. This could be the golden opportunity for Joseph to turn around his life, from being a slave and prisoner to become freeman again. But Joseph’s expectation is nothing compared to what he is about to be rewarded!

Joseph’s faith remained strong throughout the years of his stay in Egypt. He confirmed his faith to God by acknowledging Him to be the supreme giver of knowledge and wisdom. He said, “It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace” (Genesis 41:16).

After interpreting Pharaoh's dream and suggesting a very wise counsel on how to deal with the great famine that will soon come upon the land of Egypt Joseph told Pharaoh the dream meant Egypt would have seven years of bounty, followed by seven years of drought and famine. Because of this, Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of preparing his nation for the years when there would be famine.

God enabled and empowered Joseph to have the wisdom and guidance to perform this task: " During the seven plentiful years the earth produced abundantly, and he gathered up all the food of these seven years, which occurred in the land of Egypt, and put the food in the cities. He put in every city the food from the fields around it. And Joseph stored up grain in great abundance, like the sand of the sea, until he ceased to measure it, for it could not be measured" (Genesis 41:47-49).

Because of this, the people in Egypt ate during the famine, and people came from all over the world to purchase the food during that time as well including his family.

It is during these times that the Dreams Joseph shared with his brothers came to pass.

Joseph always knew that his gift to interpret dreams came from God. He never took credit and always focused on giving God the glory for all that he did.

Lessons we learn from Joseph life

1. Jealousy can ruin a family relationship

One lesson is learning about sibling rivalry and what to do.

Another lesson can be about jealousy and some of the things that people will do because of jealousy.

2. Joseph's coat had been stripped, but not his character

Our Coats don't make us who we are =

As a slave = he had no coat but he did have his Character and integrity

Joseph was not his coat and his coat was not him! They took his coat but they could not take away WHO HE WAS.

Although his coat had been taken off from him, he was able to keep up his character and integrity (honour, honesty, uprightness)

He may not be wearing a beautiful coat as a slave but his character stood out among other slaves in Egypt.

3. Do what is pleasing to God, regardless of the consequences (outcome, Result)

Have you ever done the RIGHT thing even when it got you into trouble?

What and When was that?

4. God honed (sharpened) his skills of Supernatural gifts (interpreting Dreams and prophetic) This was very important. God's Dreams and Prophetic Words are powerful and life changing. It is important to Nurture and hone these gifts from God.

Have you ever had a Dream or Vision from God?

What was it. How did God show you it?

5. The Lord was with Joseph even in the pits and prisons.

God is sovereign Ruler over the darkest moments of our lives

6. God protected him in the midst of troubles

Joseph was cast into the pit by his jealous brothers and eventually sold him to traders as a slave.

He may not have seen the overall big picture of God's plan in his life, yet he remained faithful to God instead of complaining and embracing the culture of the people of Egypt. He stood for God in every situation. In return, the Lord had protected him

7. He chose forgiveness over resentment

By the time Joseph met his brothers in Egypt, he was now a leader and they didn't recognise him. Joseph's dreams became a reality when his brothers did indeed bow down to him in respect. This would have been a perfect opportunity to take revenge but he didn't do it. Instead, he returned the money to his brothers and gave grain for free to the men who sold him. It's not easy to forgive because of the horrible things they have done to Joseph. Although he may now have the opportunity to take revenge as a governor of Egypt, he chose forgiveness over resentment and anger.

Forgiveness is always a part of God's plan.

By the time Joseph encountered his brothers once again, he was second in command of Egypt and they didn't recognise him. Joseph's dreams happened when his brothers did indeed bow down to him in respect. This would have been the perfect opportunity for revenge but Joseph did no such thing. He did test them to be sure they had changed, but forgiveness was always in his heart. (Genesis 42-45) Even though they had sold their young brother into slavery, Joseph chose forgiveness. He welcomed his entire family back into his life with open arms, and they would move to Egypt to be with him.

From his Families View

“And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for **God sent me before you to preserve life...** And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So **it was not you who sent me here, but God...**” (Genesis 45:5&7-8a).

8. God is in control even when it seems that your world is out of control.

As you continue to fulfil God's plan for your life, look to the life of Joseph for inspiration and remember how God took care of him.

The life of Joseph is among the best examples on how God works out His plan. Though we might not understand the things that are now happening, we can have the faith that God will work all things for good!

Pharaoh recognised the Hand of God on Joseph's life

“Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Inasmuch as **God has shown you all this**, there is no one as discerning and wise as you. You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you.” And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt” (Genesis 41:39-41).

9. And God was with him

God is always with us no matter what! Even if we can't really go anywhere or do anything God is still with us.

It can be hard to wait, you might miss your friends at school, or at church. But it's important to remember that no matter what happens, no matter how long you wait, God is always with you!

EVEN in this Lockdown, God is With you.

10. Joseph chose to trust God through the good times and the bad times.

*He chose to do his best in his jobs while in lockdown

*He chose to serve others through lockdown

*He later found that God had an overall plan that worked out for good!!

11. Each period of "lock down" put Joseph exactly where he needed to be for God to move him to the next steps in his life.

Each time things seemed hopeless and he couldn't get out by his own means.

Right now we can't fix anything on our own. All of our wisdom, our money, our logic cannot save us from fear and "confinement"

Our freedom only comes when we trust in God knowing that He is the answer. Only he can save our hearts from the fears that plague us and give us hope for the future.

**Lesson #5
Nurturing Dreams**

In Joseph's life these were not natural dreams that he had. They were Supernatural dreams given by God. God still speaks through Dreams and Visions. It is important that we do Nurture these in our children.

It was BECAUSE of these Divine Dreams that Joseph's family survived in the future. The devils rat trap dreams are to have everyone become duplicates of everyone else rather than NURTURING the UNIQUE gifting of the individual.

This is a whole teaching in itself. We are called as parents to UNFOLD rather than MOLD our children into the Duplicates, Carbon copies of everyone else. This becomes an IDENTITY ISSUE. We can never Become WHO God created us to be when we are being forced into the Mold of Duplicate.

Our DESTINY is connected to our IDENTITY. When we don't know who we are, We will not know where we are going.

When you BECOME a CARBON COPY, a DUPLICATE, A CLONE of those around you

These are the devils RAT TRAP DREAMS
They make you SMALLER than you really are
They don't BUILD YOU, they DESTROY You.

Dreaming God's Dreams

Another WORD for DREAM

WHAT KIND OF DREAM did Joseph Have?

GENESIS 37 Joseph the DREAMER

JOSEPH KING-DREAMS

What Kind of Dreams does God GIVE?

SUPER NATURAL DREAMS

DRAW some of the things Joseph SAW in his dream

THE DEVILS **RAT TRAP** DREAMS

UNIQUE VS DUPLICATE

LOCKDOWN FAITH



ORIGINAL VS DUPLICATE

Carbon copies
Replicas
Molded
Look Alike
Clones

DO NOT COPY

DO NOT DUPLICATE

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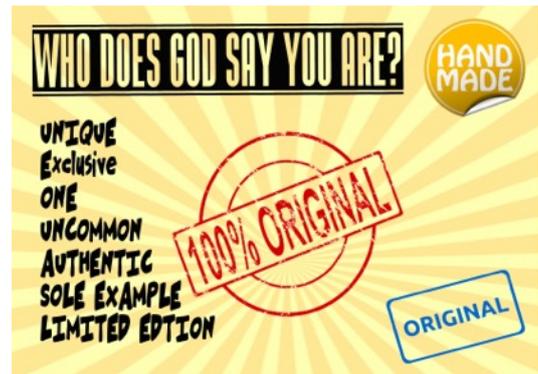
God's DREAM & PURPOSE for your life

1 **To KNOW Him** Personally/Deeply (to be able to explain to others what it is like to be with God, to learn from God, to be comforted by God, to be taught by God, to be disciplined by God, etc.)

WHEN YOU KNOW HIM you will BECOME LIKE HIM as you Hang out with HIM

2 **To BE LIKE Him** In Our Character (to reflect Him clearly, over time to have other people SEE HIM more and more when they look at us, to follow Jesus into situations where it is difficult to be patient instead of just staying in situations where it is easy to be patient)

3 **To REPRESENT (Show) Him** (to pass out His invitations of love, grace, forgiveness, and truth to EVERYONE EVERYDAY)



What about Joseph's DREAM?

Joseph had one of those God Dreams

From the time he was just a boy, God put a dream in his heart.

And yet the dream didn't just "happen."

It was a Long journey through which many dream killers that tried to crush it all.

They couldn't kill the Dream

Sold into slavery by his own jealous brothers,

Joseph's dreams disturbed the 'pecking order' of the family.

When you don't want to fall into line with what they think you should do or what they think your life should be

People get angry

He sees the future and his brothers are mad because he dreams a different kind of world.

I want you to SEE the DIFFERENT WORLD that God wants to CREATE THROUGH YOU

You are not a mistake

You are BORN ON PURPOSE FOR A PURPOSE

Joseph was the younger

EVERYONE EXPECTED him to just fall into line with what others thought was RIGHT for HIM

NO WAYS

God has a DREAM and it is BIGGER than any dream someone else has for your life.

This is NOT a PRIDE THING - you don't go around wearing BRAG BADGES

It is YOUR MISSION of LIFE

It is WHY YOU WERE BORN

WHY you were CREATED



When GOD MADE YOU
You are a PRESENT TO THIS WORLD

WHAT Stops God's DREAMS?
LISTENING to the Wrong Voices
LIVING the Wrong Labels
LOOKING for Wrong Treasure

God's TREASURE for you is FAR MORE wonderful than anything anyone else could ever give you.

You are on a MISSION for GOD'S KINGDOM

Ambassadors of the KING of KINGS

Matthew 6:19 - 21

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:19-21)

This is the Page from your Child's Journal. It is on page

Another word for Dream is Vision which means "The Preferred Picture"
God has a Preferred Picture for each of our lives.

Have your child write down the words that describe Unique and Duplicate from the above slides.

The devils Rat Trap Dreams always make you smaller than you are. It is always his purpose to get us kill, steal and destroy (John 10:10). Anything that takes us away from God's Plans and purposes.



JOSEPH

in

LOCKDOWN

Genesis 39



The following pages are in your Children's Journal.
Take a moment to look through their pages.

We are introducing a Scripture Memorising part to the weekly teachings. This is 25 Bible Verses on a Particular subject. In this lesson they are on FORGIVENESS. We are calling them Planting SEEDS of....

We will learn many lessons from Joseph's life including FORGIVENESS. How do you walk in Forgiveness when wrong things are done to you. These 25 Bible Verses will help us understand HOW and WHY we should Forgive. Look for the "Seeds" on pages 6-8 of your Child's Journal

You will need to print them out onto card or simply cut the pages out of this Journal. Cut each Card out. Use an Envelope to keep these seeds in just like you buy seeds in a packet envelope.

To learn them, take them out of the packet to memorise them.

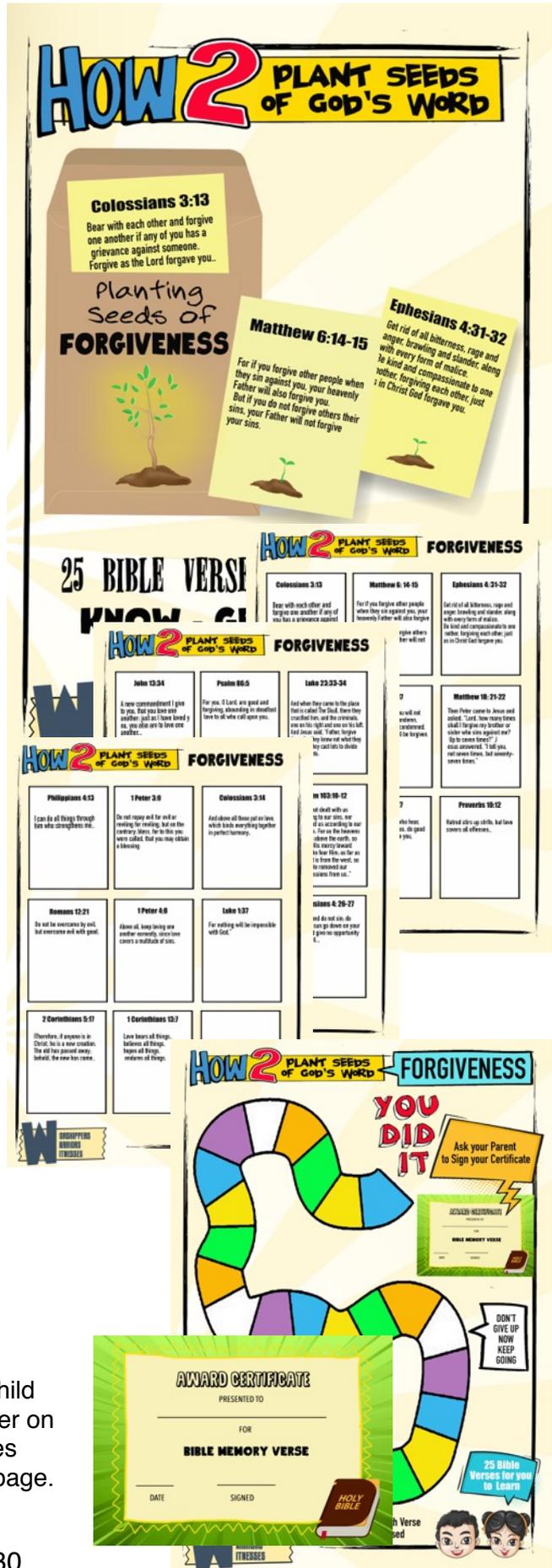
Once you have memorised one by one, place a small round sticker on the Forgiveness Journey on the page 5 of your Child's Journal

They will need small stickers i.e.: stars of round incentive stickers

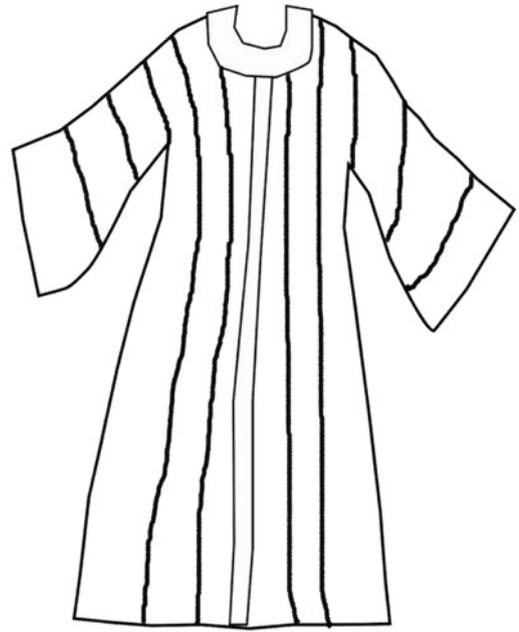
Once all Bible verses are memorised, they will receive the Bible Memory Certificate which is at the end of your Parent Guide. you can print it out on Card or paper. Remember to sign it and date it. You can add an extra incentive like a favourite.... or whatever you feel would be appropriate.

INCENTIVE CHART

You child has an Incentive Chart for the 25 Bible Verses they will memorise through this lesson on Forgiveness. Each square represents a Bible Verse. As your child memorises the verse they will place a small sticker on the square. At the end of completing the 25 verses they will receive the certificate as shown on this page.



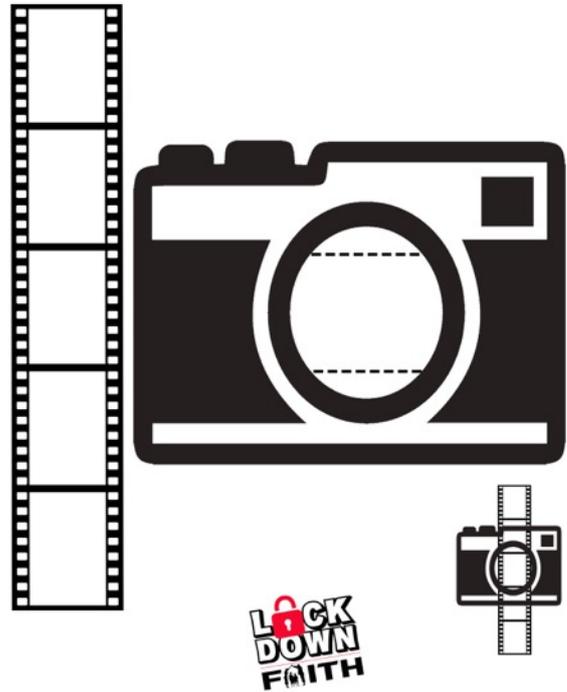
Use this pattern to make a Paper Coat with Butcher paper or Newspaper.



Create your own Joseph Story in 5 frames
Then watch them through the camera lens

This is a fun craft for your kids to make. It would be better to make it on Card but it can work with paper. Maybe glue the Paper version onto a piece of card (an old cereal box or similar)

Do the same for the film frame. Encourage your kids to draw the story in 5 frames then glue it onto card. Create two slits / cuts on the lens of the camera where the film frame can pass through.



Answers for these Sheets

Joseph Chose to Trust God through Good and bad times.

How did Joseph TRUST God. What examples are there to show this?

He Chose to do his best in the jobs he did while in the Lockdowns

Joseph's lockdown began before prison. Even when he was working in Potiphar's house.

He Chose to serve others through the Lockdown.

What examples do we see of this?
 In Prison?
 In the Palace?
 In Potiphars House?

If you have some Fruit at home, you could use these as an object lesson for this page.
 Have two fruits to compare with each other.
 What TREE would this _____ fruit come from?

Show the second Fruit. And this Fruit?

Would you find the second fruit on the first tree or visa vera?

NO = each tree bears the fruit it was created for.

Unforgiveness and Forgiveness both have FRUIT. One brings life and the other brings Death .

Have your kids answer the questions on this page.

Was Joseph the only one in prison?

NO, His Brothers were also in a prison or Lockdown.

LOCKDOWN FAITH

JOSEPH "AND GOD WAS WITH HIM"

What do we learn from Joseph's Lockdown?

Joseph chose to trust God through the good times and the bad times. He chose to do his best in his jobs while in lockdown. He chose to serve others through lockdown.

Each period of "lock down" put Joseph exactly where he needed to be for God to move him to his next ministry. Each time things seemed hopeless and he couldn't get out by his own means, God made a way for him. It did not matter if he was in a prison or palace: We are told "And God was WITH him."

Joseph refused to let ANGER and BITTERNESS GROW in his life. Bad thoughts and Actions lead to sin. It is easier to sin when you are ANGRY.

WHICH ARE YOU?

FROM THIS TO THIS

YOUR LOCKDOWN IS NOT YOUR SOUTHERN

W ORSHIPPERS ARRIORS ITNESSES

CHOOSE A WAY to do EACH of these Three (3) What can you TRUST God for in this Lockdown? What can you do Better at during this Lockdown? What way can you Serve others during this Lockdown?

What Makes you Angry?

LOCKDOWN FAITH

JOSEPH "AND GOD WAS WITH HIM"

The Fruit of UNFORGIVENESS

Sulk
 Anger
 Grudge
 Pay-back
 Bitterness
 Resentment

INWARD FORGIVENESS
 OUTWARD FORGIVENESS

Outward forgiveness is the act of telling another person that I forgive them for what they did wrong against me.

THE HEART OF FORGIVENESS
 Is there anyone you NEED to FORGIVE?

HEART OF FORGIVENESS

Inward forgiveness is the willingness to let go of all anger, bitterness, and desire for revenge, Grudge or Payback / to get even with that person.

Which part of INWARD FORGIVENESS is HARD for You?

WHY?

FORGIVENESS TURNING BITTER FRUIT INTO BETTER FRUIT

W ORSHIPPERS ARRIORS ITNESSES

JOSEPH'S BROTHERS ALLOWED JEALOUSY TO GROW "A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones" (Proverbs 14:30 NIV).

Was Joseph the ONLY one in Prison?

What PRISON was his Brother's IN?

WHO SUFFERED BECAUSE OF THE BROTHERS JEALOUSY?

They were not in a physical prison like Joseph but they were in a Prison of BITTERNESS and HATRED.

Who else was in Prison or a lockdown?

His whole family: Parents lived all these years thinking Joseph was dead. They had memories of his life as a young man. They missed out on seeing him grow up.

Bitterness, Jealousy and Anger always STEAL from our lives.
We can never get one of those days back that we lose through these.

Speak about the INWARD and OUTWARD FRUIT of FORGIVENESS
Forgiveness is turning BITTER Fruit into BETTER Fruit .

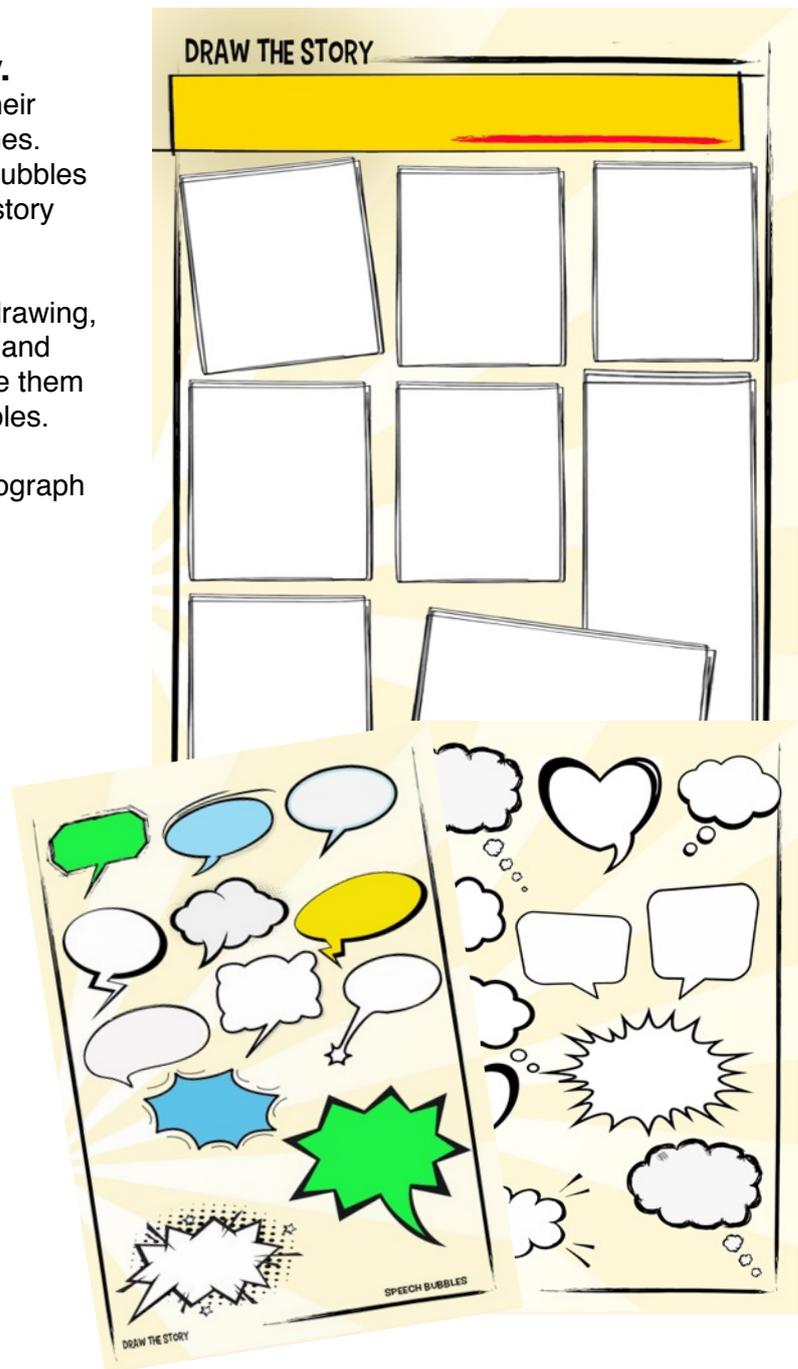
Which part of FORGIVENESS is the HARDEST part for you?

Cartoon and Draw the Story.

Some children love drawing. This is their opportunity to draw the story in 8 frames. There are also two pages of speech bubbles that they can cut out and use in their story frames.

For those who are not so creative at drawing, another option is to ACT out the story and photograph the story in 8 frames. Glue them into the page adding the speech Bubbles.

OR use LEGO to build the story, photograph them and add to the page.

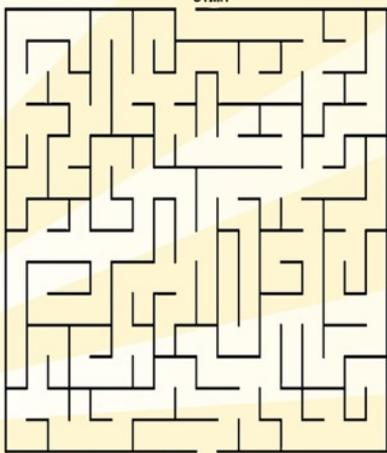


What have you learnt from Joseph's Life.
 See pages 23-25 in this Parent Guide for the
 11 truths we can learn from his life.

That was the hardest lesson to learn from
 Joseph's life?

HELP JOSEPH GET FROM PRISON TO THE PALACE

START



FINISH

WHAT?
 HAVE YOU LEARNED FROM
JOSEPH'S LIFE

WHAT?
 IS THE HARDEST LESSON
 TO LEARN FROM
JOSEPH'S LIFE

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W ORSHIPPERS
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DRAW PHAROAH'S PALACE

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LOCKDOWN FAITH




A man may
have many plans
in his
Heart
but....
→ The Lord's ←
Purpose
Wins out in the end

Proverbs-19:21

so
One day
Jacob
had a
Special gift made for
Joseph
A beautiful robe



Genesis 37:3

Some colouring pages as well as Bible Memory Verse Proverbs 19:21

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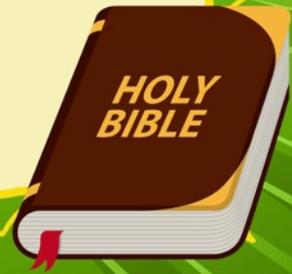
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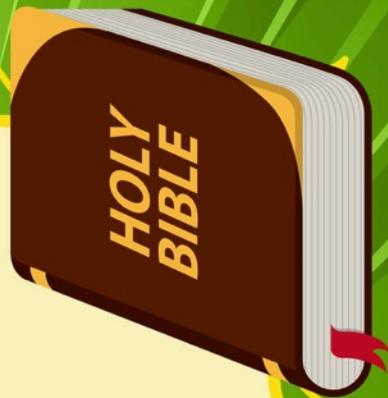
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Family Ministry
Kids Ministry Leadership Training
Camps
Pulpit Ministry
Church Ministry
Ministry can be in a number of settings in your church
Family Camps
Kids Ministry Camps
Pulpit Ministry. To cast vision and raise the importance of Children's Ministry or to bring a Word of Encouragement.
Family Services: Includes an illustrated message using visuals, object lessons, multi media etc.
Releasing Family Blessing Services
Kids Crusades: Preaching with object lessons.
Consulting: Allow Shane to come into your church to consult regarding Kids Ministry.
Consultant & Trainer
Spiritual Parenting Life Coach
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