

T4C PARENT'S LESSON GUIDE: JOSEPH FORGIVES HIS BROTHERS



SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

GENESIS 45-47:12

FOCUS POINT(S)

**JOSEPH SHOWED GRACE AND
JOSEPH KNEW GOD HAD
PLANNED IT ALL**

MEMORY VERSE

GENESIS 39:2A

STORY/LESSON: WATCH ON GCC KIDS OR READ STORY BELOW

Judah pled with Joseph to make him his servant so Benjamin could return home, after Joseph saw how his brother's hearts had changed - the same brothers who had sold him into slavery, he told everyone but his brother's to leave the room. Joseph then revealed who he was to his brothers, they were shocked! Joseph told them how God used what they did to help look after them now, that God was with him and had a plan. The brothers were afraid Joseph would want to punish them for what they did, but Joseph forgave them and assured them that it was not them, but God who sent him here.

The Pharaoh heard that Joseph's brothers had come, and it made him very happy he told Joseph and his brothers to get all they had in the land of Canaan, including their father and to bring it to Egypt. Here they would live on beautiful land, called Goshen and be near the food Egypt had. So the brothers returned home, they told their father, Israel, all that had happened and that Joseph was alive in Egypt waiting for them.

Israel at first did not believe them, but when he saw all the gifts from Joseph and the wagons Pharaoh had sent to retrieve them, he was overjoyed knowing what they said was true! He offered sacrifices to God and God assured him that He would be with him and the family as they went and lived in Egypt. That they would grow and prosper in the land of Goshen. So the family went to Egypt and Joseph was reunited with all his brothers and his father.

Just as God told Israel, his family grew and prospered in Goshen, so much that they had become as large as a nation. Although Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery out of hate and jealousy, God used it to save Israel and his family from the famine, as Joseph said to his brothers: "You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive." (Gen 50:20)

REVIEW QUESTIONS

- Q. How did the brothers feel when Joseph told them who he was? (They were afraid Joseph was angry at them)
- Q. Was Joseph angry? (No)
- Q. Who did Joseph say sent him to Egypt? (God, he believed it was all in God's plan so that during the famine he could save his family.)
- Q. What did God say to Israel about Egypt? (To go and that in this land he would bless them)

Name:

Date:

T4C LESSON:

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ACTIVITY BOOK

WORD IN ACTION



JOSEPH FORGAVE HIS BROTHERS AND INSTEAD OF GETTING REVENGE, HE SHOWED GOD'S GRACE. THIS WEEK INSTEAD GETTING ANGRY AT SOMEONE TRY TO BE NICE, FORGIVE AND SHWO GRACE LIKE JOSPEH DID.

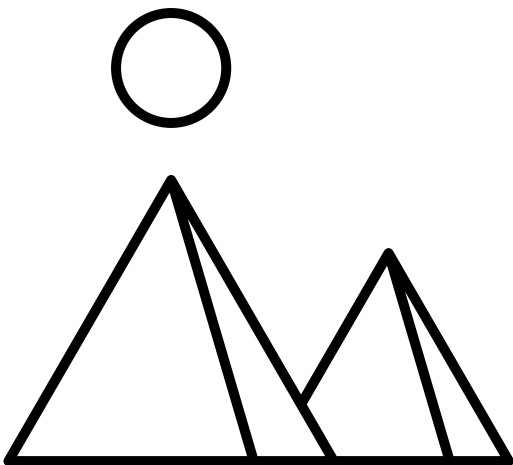
CRAFT IDEA



MAKE THIS JOSEPH STORYBOOK AND DECORATE WITH COLOURS, STICKERS AND TEXTERS.

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MEMORY VERSE



GENESIS 39:2A
"THE LORD WAS WITH JOSEPH..."

ACTIVITY 1: CODE BREAKER

JOSEPH WAS NOT ANGRY AT HIS BROTHERS BECAUSE HE KNEW THIS:

Use the code to find out.

△ = S

▲ = A

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▽ = H

▼ = D

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ACTIVITY 2: JOSEPH REVEALED SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

CAN YOU FIND ALL 4 DIFFERENCES WHEN JOSEPH REVEALED HIMSELF TO HIS BROTHERS IN THE PICTURES BELOW?



ACTIVITY 3: JOSEPH'S FAMILY GO TO EGYPT

JOSEPH WANTED TO SEE HIS FATHER AGAIN SO HE SENT FOR ALL HIS FAMILY TO COME AND TO LIVE IN EGYPT. HELP THE FAMILY REACH JOSEPH IN EGYPT SAFELY:

Follow the happy faces
to help Joseph's family get to Egypt.

