For the Parents:

Dear Parents.

In case you would like to do some study for yourselves; here is where this Bible story is found.

Gen. 29:18-30; 30:22-24; 31:3; 37; 41:15-57; 42; 43; 44; 45; 46:1-7; 26-34; 47:1-12. My Bible Friends Bk 2

The Bible Story Vol 2. p.40-50; 59-72.

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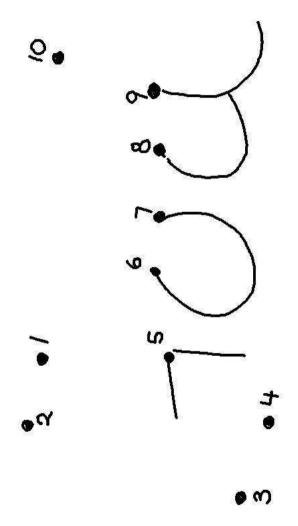
We need to teach our children that sometimes things happen to us and it looks like God is not watching over us, but He is, and in the long run God is working things out the best way for us. God made us with the power of choice. When bad things happen to us we need to remember that God is leading, and to trust in His leading. If we could see the end from the beginning we would know that God is leading us in the way that is best for our eternal salvation.

May God bless you as you teach your little ones about Him.

Joseph

Sabbath

Do you know who is watching you all the time?



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He knows the way that I take.

Job 23:10 NKJV

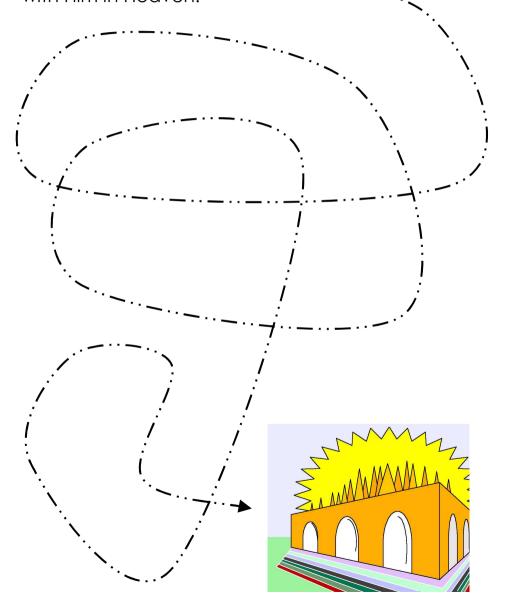
Friday

God was watching over Joseph even when his brothers did mean things to him. God had a special plan for Joseph and He has a special plan for each one of us. Sometimes it looks like lots of bad things are happening to us, but just like Joseph, we can trust that God is doing what is best for us.



Thursday

If you obey God He will work everything out for the best for you and one day you will go to live with Him in Heaven.



Sunday

Jacob had lots of children. But his favourite was Joseph, and he made him a very special coat of many colours. One night Joseph dreamed his brother's sheaves of wheat bowed down while his sheaf of wheat stood up tall. When Joseph told his brothers the dream they were very jealous. And they did not like it that Joseph was their father's favourite son.

One day when his older brothers were away from home looking after the sheep, Jacob sent Joseph to see if they were alright. When the brothers saw Joseph coming they said, "Here comes that dreamer!" They wanted to kill him! But Reuben the oldest brother, said to put him in a hole in the ground instead. The brothers took off Joseph's special coat and then threw him into the deep hole.

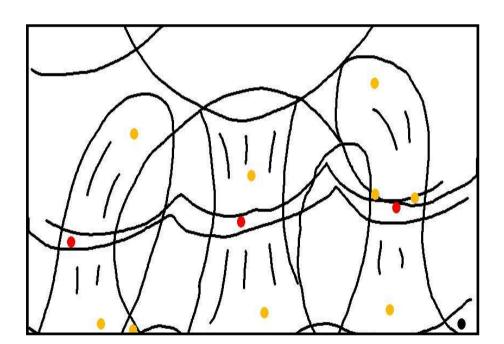


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Monday

Joseph's brothers didn't like Joseph. Then their father gave Joseph a special gift which made the brothers jealous.

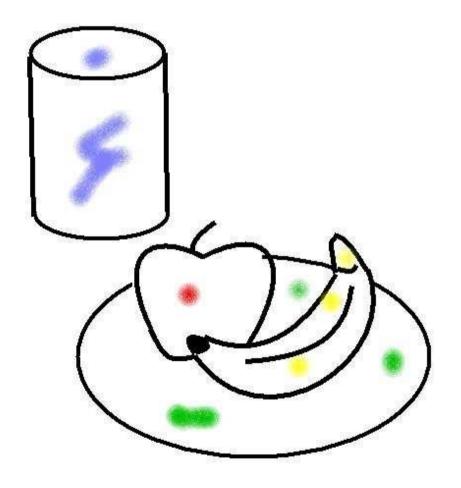
Colour the picture to find out what Joseph dreamed about.



Wednesday

Going to Egypt seemed like a scary and bad thing to Joseph, but God allowed it to happen for a good reason.

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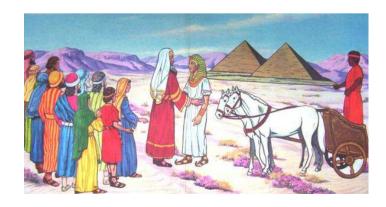


Tuesday

The people were hungry so Joseph opened up the storehouses and began selling them grain to eat.

One day Joseph noticed his ten older brothers had come to buy some grain. As they bowed down before Joseph, he remembered his dreams. The brothers did not recognise Joseph. Joseph gave them food but said that next time they had to bring their younger brother with them.

When they came the next time they had Benjamin with them and then Joseph told them who he was. They were scared that Joseph would put them in prison but Joseph had forgiven them. Instead he had them bring their father and all their families down to Egypt to live. Joseph told them that God had been working things out all the time in just the right way. God will work things out for you too.



Tuesday

Which children do you think might be angry or jealous? Circle them.



Wednesday

The brothers ignored Joseph's cries to please let him go. They are their lunch and didn't share any with Joseph.

Some traders came past on their way to Egypt. One of the brothers suggested that they sell Joseph to the traders so that is just what they did.



Poor Joseph had his hands tied together

and off he went with the traders. At first Joseph cried and cried. He wanted to go home to his father.

Then he stopped crying and said to himself, "I will trust in God. I will obey God and do what He wants me to do."

When they got to Egypt the traders sold Joseph to a man named Potiphar.

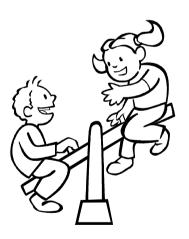
Monday

When you do your chores at home do you do them as if you are doing them for Jesus? Draw a line from each question to the matching picture.

- Do you smile when you share?
- Do you put your toys away when Mum tells you to?
- Do you play nicely? Do you play the way Jesus would want you to?



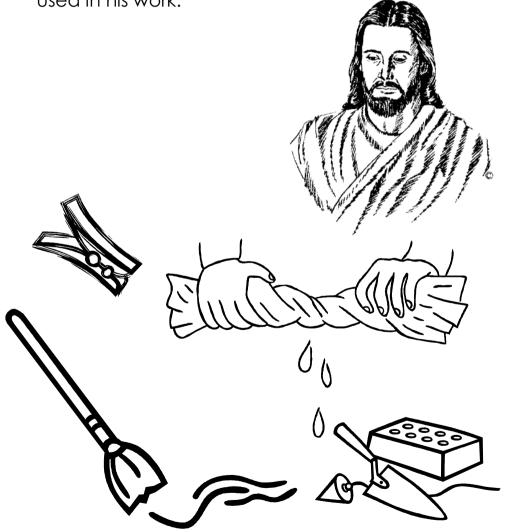




Sunday

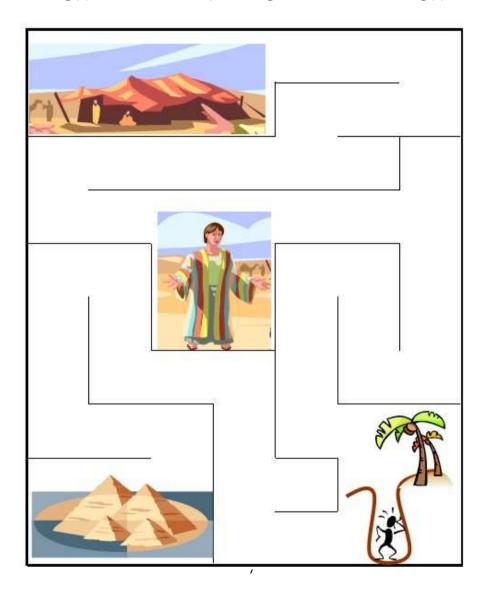
Joseph knew that someone was looking after him and that He wanted Joseph to do his work well. Who was looking after Joseph?

Here are some of the things Joseph might have used in his work.



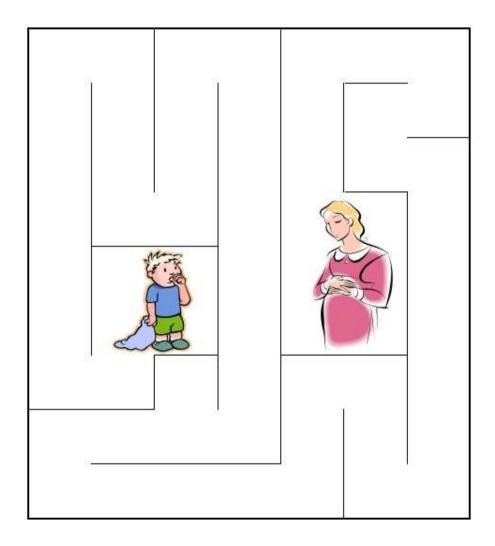
Thursday

Joseph lived with his family. His father gave him a special coat. His brothers threw him in an old well, and then sold him to traders who took him to Egypt. Find a way though the maze to Egypt.



<u>Friday</u>

God was with Joseph and God is with you no matter what happens. Help this mother find her lost little boy.



Sabbath

Joseph had to work very hard for Potiphar but he always did his work well. He was always kind and cheerful.

Potiphar was so impressed that he put Joseph in charge of his house. While Joseph wore clothes like the Egyptians did and talked like they did, he would not worship their gods. No. Joseph always prayed to the God in heaven just like Jacob, his father had taught him. God was watching over him in Egypt.

Many years went by and Joseph grew to be a very wise man. The king of Egypt needed a very wise man to help him store grain in the time of plenty. So he asked



Joseph to be the man in charge. For seven years Joseph collected grain and put it in big

storehouses. Then came the years with no rain; crops withered and died, and the people became hungry. The king sent them to Joseph.

