



Joseph's Journey

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Genesis 37 - 50

Lesson 6

Read Genesis 48-49

Find Genesis 48-49 in a Children's Bible.

Share the answers to the following questions with an adult.

1. Read Genesis 48:8-14. Joseph brought his two sons to Joseph. Jacob (Israel) didn't think he would ever see Joseph again, and now Jacob gets to hold Joseph's two sons. Ask an adult in your house to tell you a story of a time God turned a hopeless situation into something good.
2. Jacob blesses Joseph and his two sons. Read the blessing in verse 15 & 16. What did you find interesting in this blessing?
3. Read Genesis 48: 17-20. Jacob places his right hand on the younger son's head and his left hand on the older son's head. Both boys will be great, but the younger son will be greater than the older son. Can you remember an earlier story in Genesis where the younger brother is set above the older for a blessing?



4. Read Jacob's blessing to his son, Judah, in Genesis 49:10. To hold a scepter and a ruler's staff means that one of Judah's descendants will rule. Did you know that King David was from the tribe of Judah? Can you guess who was the best KING ever to come from the royal line of Judah? Peek at Matthew 1 for a hint!
5. Read Jacob's last words before he died in Genesis 49:29-33. Even though Jacob was in Egypt, he trusted that God would keep his promises and bring his family back to the land of Canaan. Do you remember what God promised to Jacob, his father, Isaac, and his grandpa, Abraham? Peek at Genesis 28:12-16 for a hint!
6. True or False. We can't see all the stars with our eyes, but they are still there. Similarly, we can't fully see all of God's promises, but they are still there and someday we will see everyone of God's promises fulfilled! Faith is confidence in God's promises.
7. Look up Hebrews 11:1. What is faith?

Prayer: Father, thank you for working through all the hard things in Joseph's life to save his family. Help me to trust you with my life even when life is scary or uncertain. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

Memory Verse: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him..." Romans 8:28

Activity: Practice your memory verse using funny accents. Try saying the verse with an accent of a cowboy, a squeaky mouse, a robot, and a scary monster.

"God would use Joseph to save Israel so that one day Jesus would come from Israel's line and save us all."

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