**BIBLE PASSAGE: Genesis 37, 39-45** 

Joseph and His Brothers

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1. Why were Joseph's brothers jealous? (Jacob loved Joseph the most, he tattled on them a lot, he told of dreams where he would be ruler over all of them)
- 2. What did the brothers do with Joseph? (They put him in a pit and later sold him to traders going to Egypt.)
- 3. What did the brothers do with Joseph's robe? (They sent it to their father, Jacob. He thought that a wild animal had killed Joseph.)
- 4. Why did Jacob send his sons to Egypt? (To buy grain during the famine)
- 5. What happened the first time the brothers arrived in Egypt? (Joseph recognized the brothers. He ordered them to come back with Benjamin.)
- 6. What happened the second time the brothers arrived in Egypt? (Joseph told them he was their brother. He forgave them and promised to take care of them.)
- 7. What does this lesson teach us about who God is? (He is always working; He can turn bad things into good. He is our Provider. He never leaves us. Answers may vary.)

# \*Recall the Bible story

Things you need: "Joseph Family CP" coloring page and crayons

As your child colors, ask them the discussion questions. Help them answer any questions and see if they have any additional questions.

### \*Word Search

Things you need: "Joseph Family WS" word search page and a pencil or crayon Look for words related to our Bible verse for the lesson today.

# \*Activity Sheets

Things you need: Print the additional activity sheets.

Have some fun reinforcing what the Bible taught us today.

# \*Wall of Love-All Month Long

Things you need: Heart shaped post-its or cut out hearts, large paper or poster board, tape
Create a wall of love in your home during the month of February. Help your child continue to write or draw things that they can do or say to share the love of Jesus inside and outside your home. The focus for us today is on kindness.

# \*Pray

Pray that God will help you choose ways to be kind to others. Ask Him to help you care for others in your home by obeying your parents, letting others go first when taking turns in a game, caring for animals at home or for a neighbor, or forgiving someone that has made you angry, just like Joseph.

# \*Monthly Memory Verse – John 13:34 (paraphrased)

"Love one another as I have loved you."



# Joseph and His Family Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

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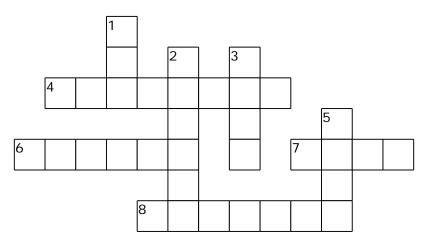
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BROTHERS	FATHER	JUDAH
CANAAN	ISRAEL	SIMEON
EGYPT	JACOB	PHARAOH

# Joseph & His Brothers, Part 2

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still living?" But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence. Genesis 45:3 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Genesis 45:1-15





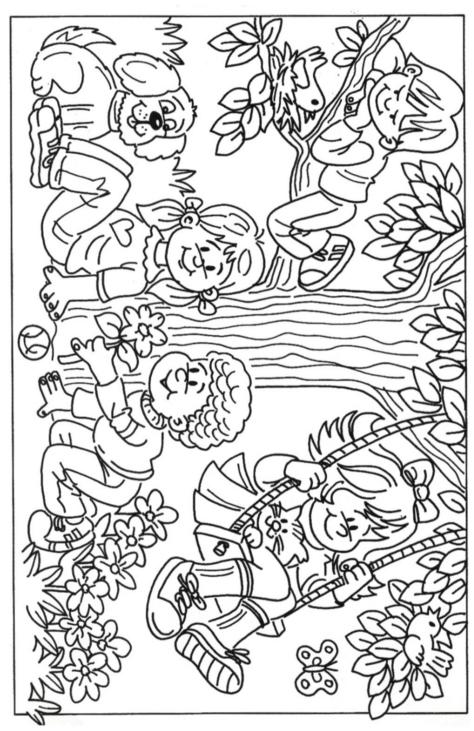
# **ACROSS**

- 4. The youngest brother of Joseph
- 6. He was sold into slavery by his brothers
- 7. To shed tears
- 8. A male with the same parents as someone else

# **DOWN**

- 1. A male human child
- 2. A male parent
- 3. The act of touching someone with your lips
- 5. A period of 365 days

JOSEPH	KISS	FATHER	BENJAMIN
WEEP	SON	YEAR	BROTHER



# Be kind to one another... 4:32

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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