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"Favourite Son" by
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Lesson #8: JOSEPH IS THROWN INTO A PIT GENESIS 37:12-35



The Bible says that Joseph's brothers took the flocks of sheep and goats away from home to find good pastures for them. But Joseph stayed home with his father Jacob.

Jacob told Joseph, "Go check on your brothers to see if everything is all right. Then come back and tell me."



The brothers saw Joseph coming. They said, "Here comes that dreamer. Let's kill him!" Can you believe that they hated Joseph so much that they wanted to get rid of him? How sad!

Rueben, the oldest brother said, "Don't kill him! Let's throw him into that pit." Rueben planned to rescue Joseph later. Rueben went away from his brothers.





When Joseph arrived; the brothers took Joseph's beautiful coat. Then they threw him into the pit. It was a dry well. Then the brothers sat down to eat.

While they were eating, the brothers saw some Ishmaelite traders coming. Their camels were loaded with spices and other things to sell. They were on their way to Egypt. Judah said, "Let's sell Joseph to those traders!" So, they lifted Joseph out of the pit and sold him for 20 pieces of silver.



When Rueben returned to the pit, Joseph wasn't there. The traders had taken Joseph away. The brothers didn't kill Joseph, but they sold their little brother to be a slave!



The brothers put goat's blood on Joseph's coat.



They took the coat back to their father and said, "We found this." Jacob cried, "This is Joseph's coat. Some wild animal has killed him!" Jacob tore his clothes and put on rough sackcloth clothes. That was the ancient custom when they were so sad because a loved one died. Jacob cried and cried because he thought Joseph was dead.

How sad it was that Jacob's sons let their heart be so filled with anger and jealousy that they would do this to their brother Joseph! They sold him for just 20 pieces of silver! How sad it was that they hurt their father Jacob by letting him think his son Joseph was dead!

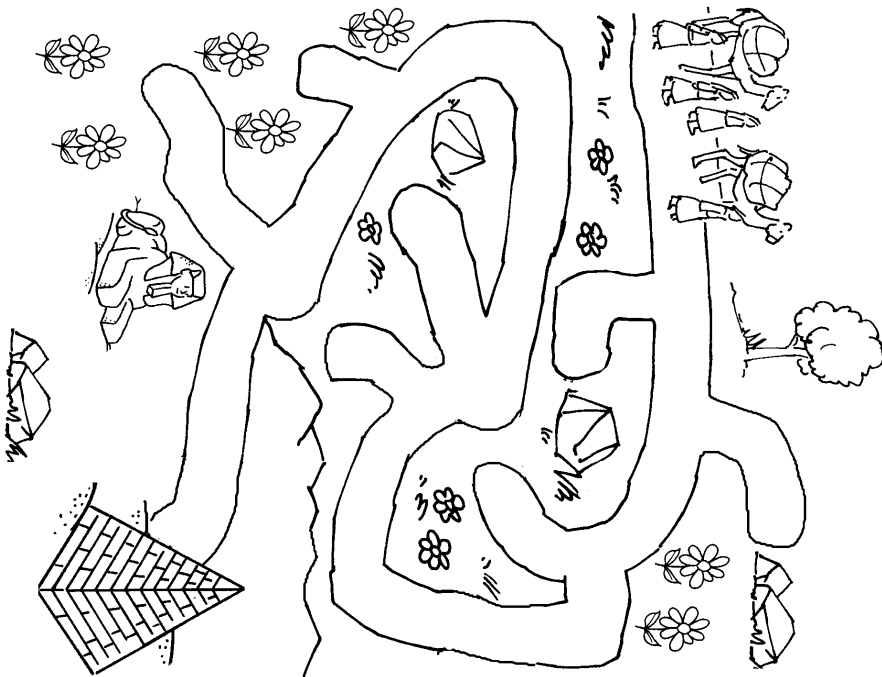


But we will learn more about how God took care of Joseph. God keeps His promises, even when bad things happen!

PRPIMARY GRADES ACTIVITY



Joseph's brothers threw him
into an empty well.
Match the pictures.



The merchants took Joseph
as a slave into Egypt.
Follow the path to Egypt.

UPPER GRADES ACTIVITY

Fill in the missing words from the list provided. Then match each picture with its description.

see	robe	slave	animal	flocks	caravan	brothers
came	well	threw	coming	Joseph	plotted	sisfers
kill	word	throw	fields	richly	wearing	stripped

1. Jacob sent _____ to find his _____ out in the _____. He said, "Go and _____ if all is _____ with your brothers and with the _____, and bring _____ back to me."





2. When the brothers saw Joseph _____, they _____ to _____ him. "Come now, let's kill him and _____ him into one of those _____ that a ferocious _____ devoured him," they said.





3. When Joseph _____, they _____ him of the _____ ornamented _____ he was _____ and _____ him into the cistern.

4. Then the brothers saw a _____ of Ishmaelites coming. They decided to sell Joseph to the Ishmaelites as a _____ instead.