

W³ WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO ME?

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- 1) He is crazy.
- 2) These dreams are more like nightmares.
- 3) God must have a plan for him.

Why do you think God chose to send these dreams to Joseph?

- 1) To make his brothers jealous.
- 2) To give Joseph hope during the dark times in Egypt.
- 3) To begin to teach him to interpret dreams.

What do you think these dreams represented to Joseph?

- 1) God's voice.
- 2) His downfall.
- 3) His advantage over his brothers.

What dreams do you have for your life and future that God has given you, to get you through a difficult time in your life?

What difficult family issues exist in your family, and how could this story help you to see those as a part of the way that God is shaping you?

Changing Fortune :

Consider reading the rest of the story of Joseph, in Genesis 38-41. In this story, Joseph's fortunes are constantly changing. List below the things he faced in each chapter:

Now list the ways that Joseph responded in each situation:

What character traits do you see being built in Joseph's life as a result?

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What reasons did Joseph's brothers have to be jealous of him (verse 3), and what additional reasons did he give them?

Describe below the two dreams that Joseph had:

What vengeful plot did Joseph's brothers carry out when he came to visit them near Dothan?

What lie did they tell to their father, and what proof did they bring?

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From this chapter, how would you describe Joseph and his family?

What do you think Joseph's dreams meant, and why do you think God sent them to him at this time?

How do you think Joseph felt as he was being sold to the Egyptians?

Do you think he thought about his dreams as he went?

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