



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis—Joshua
Unit 8, Lesson 39

Joseph Forgives His Brothers

Lesson Aim: To know God wants us to forgive each other.

THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: Joseph Forgives His Brothers
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: Sad Face, Happy Face
- BLOCK CENTER: Working Hard
- DRAMATIC PLAY CENTER: Food for Egypt

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

God speaks to us through the world He has made, through Bible stories, and through the people we know. We can speak to Him through prayer. Let's do that right now. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear God, we are so glad we can talk to You. Help us to remember to come to You in prayer. Amen.

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE: Practice Bible Memory Verse with the motions. "I will listen to what God the Lord will say." Psalm 85:8

THE WORD JOSEPH FORGAVE HIS BROTHERS

CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last week, we learned about Joseph and the special robe his father gave him. His father gave him the robe to show how much he loved him. How do you feel when you know someone loves you? Show happy face side of the sign. Today, we will hear that Joseph's brothers were sad because their father didn't give them a robe. Show sad face of the sign. As we listen, let's decide

whether the people in the story are happy (Show the happy face.) or sad (Show the sad face.). You may choose to have one of the children hold the happy face/sad face sign as you read the storybook. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Genesis 50:21.

WATCH THE WORD: GENESIS 50:17-21

Read poem. Display visual.

- Joseph's brothers were jealous of his robe;
- Into a well they threw him down.
- They sold him to some strangers,
- Who took Joseph to a faraway town.
- They took him to Egypt where he worked hard.
- Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of the land.
- He forgave every brother when they came for food.
- He spoke kindly and took care of them.

Were Joseph's brothers kind to him? (No.) But, did Joseph forgive them? (Yes.) What does God want us to do when anyone does wrong to us? (Children respond.)

THE WAY FORGIVE EVERYONE

CRAFT: Feeding the Forgiven

GAMES: Joseph Forgave, We Forgive

SNACK: Forgiveness Feast

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Genesis 50:17-21

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Stop and Listen, Memory Verse Echo

STORY TIME