

Heart Tugs

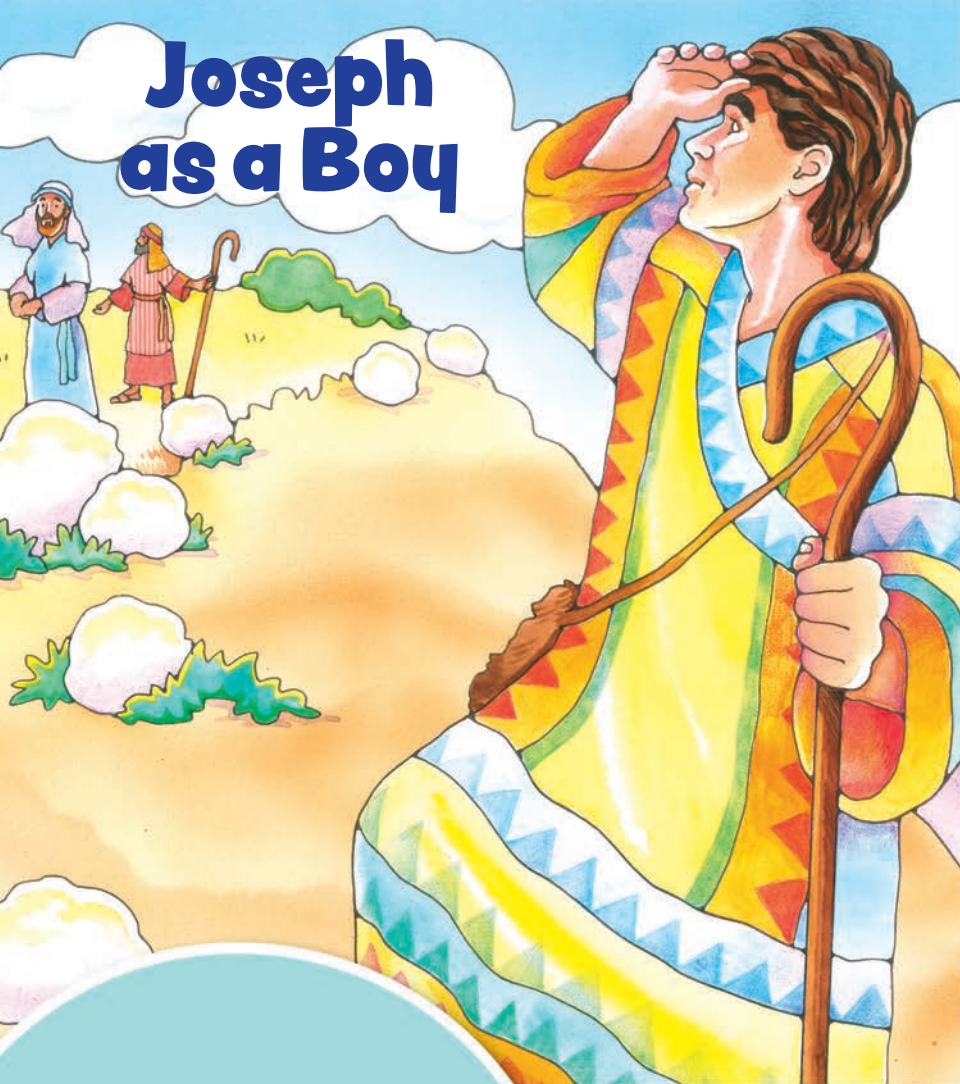
Shaping Hearts with God's Word



A Preschool and Pre-K & K Family Resource

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Joseph as a Boy



A Read-to-Me Bible Story

from Genesis 37:1-28; 39:1, 2

The Bible tells about a man named Jacob. Jacob had 12 sons. One of the sons was Joseph. Jacob made a special coat for Joseph. The coat made Joseph's brothers jealous.

One day Jacob said, "Joseph, go see if your brothers are all right." Off went Joseph to find his brothers.

When his brothers saw Joseph coming, they said, "Let's get rid of him." All the brothers agreed.

Before long Joseph was on his way to Egypt in a parade of camels. But God cared for Joseph wherever he went.

**What did Jacob
give to his son
Joseph?**

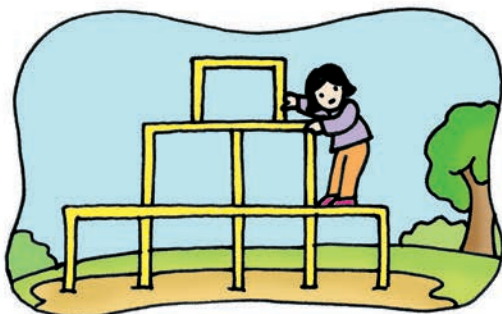
**What happened
to Joseph?**





Fun or Scary

Look at each picture. Would the situations be fun or scary?
Circle fun or scary—or both fun and scary.



fun



scary



fun



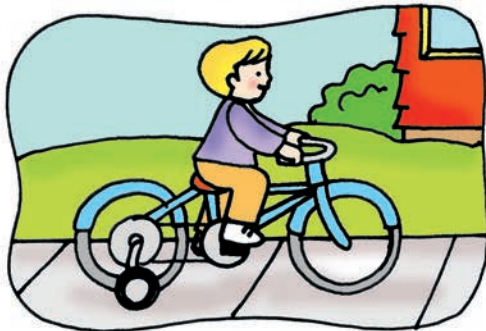
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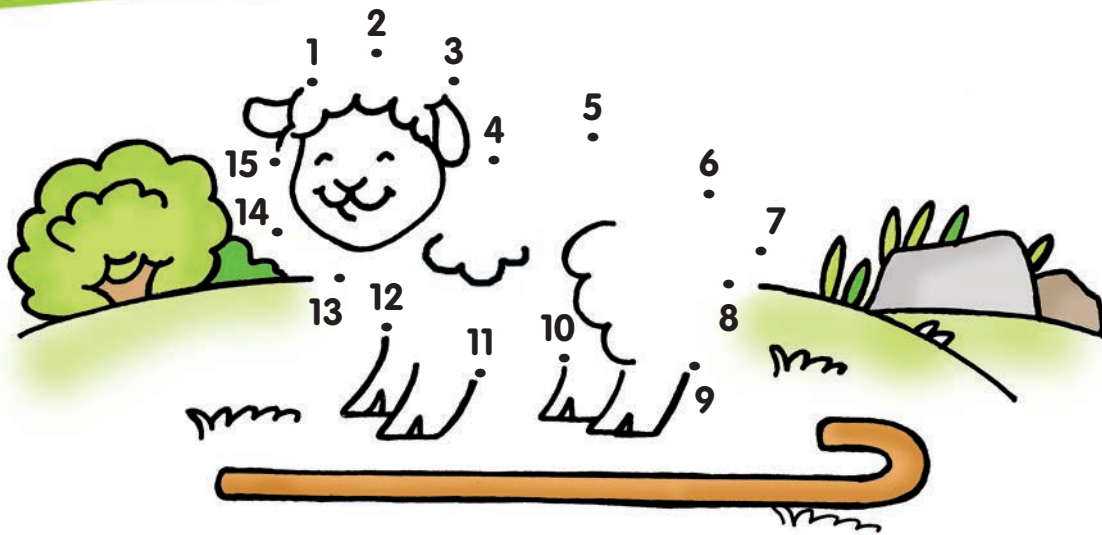


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Remember, God cares for us all the time.



Connect the dots. Then finish coloring the picture.
What job did Joseph and his brothers do?



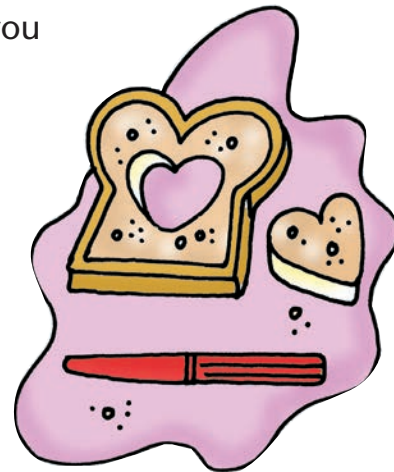
Cinnamon Toast Hearts

Joseph and his brothers probably took food to eat while they were watching their sheep. Here's a snack you can eat while doing a job at home.

You will need

bread
butter
measuring spoons
plastic knife

toaster oven
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon
2 tablespoons sugar
heart cookie cutter
napkin or paper plate
air-tight container



What to do

1. Ask an adult to help you toast a slice of bread.
2. Mix together the cinnamon and sugar and store in an air-tight container.
3. Butter the toasted bread. Sprinkle some of the cinnamon and sugar mixture on it.
4. Cut the bread with a heart-shaped cookie cutter.

As you eat your snack, thank God that He cares for you.

Family Talk

As a child, were you afraid of the dark, certain animals, or shadows in the

closet? How did you respond to your fears?

You can help your children understand their fears and grow in their ability to overcome those fears. First, recognize your child's fears—no matter how silly or small they seem to you. Read books to your child with stories of kids who have experienced similar fears. Talk and pray about the fears.

The Bible talks about fear and reminds us that perfect love drives out fear. (1 John 4:18). We must encourage children to be confident of God's love. He cares for us all the time.

Daily Talks with God

Use these thoughts at mealtimes, bedtimes, or other times when you pray with your child this week.

God, thank You for always being with us.

Thank You, God, for taking care of us wherever we go.

God, thank You for being with me when I feel happy or scared.

Bible Memory FUN

1 Samuel 12:20

Find this verse in a family Bible. Create a rhyme that includes the words, "Serve the Lord with all your heart." Say the rhyme each time you leave your house.

This week, help your child remember:

God cares for us all the time.



Family Fun...

Family Collage. On a piece of poster board, have family members draw pictures showing ways God cares for your family throughout the day. Talk about the pictures and then thank God for the ways He cares. Display the family masterpiece where it will be seen often to remind you how God cares for your family all the time.

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