

Every story  
centers around  
the cross.

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GOSPEL  
PROJECT  
FOR KIDS

Dear Parents,

**Joseph Sent to Egypt**

**January 14, 2018**

Today's Bible story is about Joseph and his brothers. Jacob had 12 sons. They would become the leaders of the tribes of Israel. But Jacob's favorite son was Joseph. Joseph was the son of Rachel, Jacob's favorite wife, and Jacob didn't hide his favoritism. Needless to say, Joseph's brothers were jealous of Joseph. When Joseph told his brothers about the dream he had that they would one day bow down to him, the Bible says they could no longer speak peaceably with him. In short, they hated him.

Joseph's brothers threw him into a pit with the intent to kill him. Then they figured they'd make a profit by selling him to people taking slaves to Egypt. Joseph was about seventeen years old when he was sold into Potiphar's house. But God was with him--even when Potiphar's wife had Joseph thrown into prison for something he didn't do. God had a wonderful plan for Joseph. He raised up Joseph into a position of power in Egypt. Remind your kids that nothing can stop God's perfect plan to send Jesus through the family of Israel.

**Family starting points:**

Babies and Toddlers	Preschool/PreK/Kindergarten	Elementary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God's plan for us is good.</li> <li>• God took care of Joseph in Egypt.</li> <li>• We can trust God even when we do not understand His plan.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What can stop God's plan? Nothing can stop God's plan.</li> <li>• God sent Joseph to Egypt.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What can stop God's plan? Nothing can stop God's perfect plan.</li> <li>• God used Joseph's suffering for good.</li> </ul>

**Joseph Sent to Egypt**  
Genesis 37:1-36; 39:1-41:57

**Key Passage:** Genesis 26:24

**Christ Connection:** God sent Joseph to Egypt. God was with Joseph, and Joseph had a big job and lots of power. God used Joseph's power to help Joseph's family and other people who were very hungry. Jesus had a lot of power in heaven, but He left heaven to come to earth. Jesus came to save people from sin.

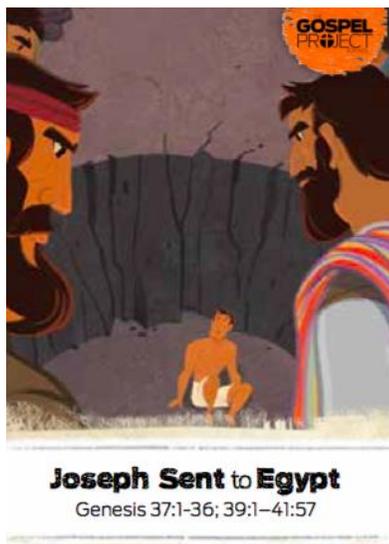
**Big Picture Question and Answer:** What can stop God's plan? Nothing can stop God's plan.

**Main Point for Babies/Toddlers:** God's plan is perfect.

**Main Point for Preschoolers:** God sent Joseph to Egypt.

**Bible Story Points:**

- God's plan for us is good.
- God took care of Joseph in Egypt.
- We can always trust God.
- Talk about a tough time you went through as a family. Describe how God cared for you in that time.



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**Main Point:** God used Joseph's suffering for good.

**Big Picture Question:** What can stop God's plan? Nothing can stop God's perfect plan.

**Christ Connection:** God sent Joseph to Egypt and blessed him so that he rose to a position of great power. God used Joseph to save Joseph's family and many others from death by starvation. Jesus gave up His position of great power to be the Savior of the world.

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**Nursery, Toddlers, Preschool, Kinder**

**Elementary**

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**Toddlers  
Memory Verse**

Genesis 26:24,  
"Do not be afraid, for I am with you."



**Preschool &  
PreK/Kindergarten  
Memory Verse**

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**1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Memory Verse**

Genesis 26:24, "I am the God of your father, Abraham.  
Do not be afraid, for I am with you."



**Family Discussion Starters:**

- Why did Joseph's brothers hate him?
- Have you ever been jealous?
- What experiences did Joseph & Jesus share? (Both of them were betrayed by people close to them).
- Many sad things happened to Joseph. Tell about a time something sad happened to you.
- God was with Joseph through all of those tough times. Talk about a tough time you went through as a family. Describe evidence of God's grace.

**Family Activity Ideas:**

- Think of another family you know that is going through a tough time. Take time to pray for them. If you want to go further, think of some ways you could serve their family by running errands for them, inviting them to dinner, raking their yard, etc.