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GOD'S PLAN FOR JOSEPH

Joseph had a very interesting life! He received dreams from God. He told others what their dreams meant. He was very wise and helped others. But Joseph also suffered much. He had many trials in his life. He had many difficulties. Through all of these, God helped Joseph. God had a wonderful plan for Joseph and his life.

In this LIFEPAC®, you will learn about Joseph and his interesting life. You will see how God helped Joseph through many trials. You will see how God had a special plan for Joseph.

God has a wonderful plan for your life, too. Sometimes, like Joseph, you may have trials in your life. Always remember that God loves you, even in trials. God helped Joseph through his trials. God will help you through your trials, too.

Objectives

Read these objectives. The objectives tell you what you will be able to do when you have successfully completed this LIFEPAC.

1. Name three ways that Joseph helped his family.
2. Name three ways that God helped Joseph.
3. Write Romans 8:28 from memory.
4. Tell how the story of God's plan for Joseph is helpful to you today.

1. GOD TOOK CARE OF JOSEPH

The story of Joseph is told in the first book of the Bible, Genesis. Joseph's story is in the last part of Genesis, chapters 37-50. When the story begins, Joseph is 17 years old. When the story ends, he is 110. During that time, many exciting things happened to Joseph! God had a wonderful plan for Joseph's life!

In this section of the LIFEPAC, you will learn about the early part of Joseph's life. During that time, Joseph was with his family in Canaan. They were a big family. Joseph had eleven brothers and one sister! You will learn about some problems that happened between Joseph and his brothers.

Vocabulary

Study these new words. Learning the meanings of these words is a good study habit and will improve your understanding of this LIFEPAC.

beast (bēst). A four-footed animal.

camel (kām' əl). A large desert animal with humps on its back.

jealous (jĕl' əs). To envy or have a bad feeling about what someone else has.

rebuke (rĭ byōōk'). To speak strongly to someone because of wrongdoing.

sheaf (shēf). Grass or stalks of grain bound together.

sheaves (shēvz). More than one sheaf of bound grass or grain.

silver (sĭl' v ər). A valuable metal.

slave (slāv). A person owned by someone.

Special Words

Benjamin
Joseph

Canaan
Judah

Egypt
Reuben

Jacob

Note: All vocabulary words in this LIFEPAK appear in **boldface** print the first time they are used. If you are unsure of the meaning when you are reading, study the definitions given.

Pronunciation Key: hat, āge, cāre, fär; let, ēqual, tērm; it, īce; hot, ōpen, ôrder; oil; out; cup, pūt, rüle; child; long; thin; /FH/ for then; /zh/ for measure; /u/ or /ə/ represents /a/ in about, /e/ in taken, /i/ in pencil, /o/ in lemon, and /u/ in circus.

Ask your teacher to say these words with you.



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A Coat

Joseph lived in a family with twelve brothers and one sister. He had ten older brothers and one younger brother. His little brother was named Benjamin. Joseph liked his little brother, Benjamin, very much.

Joseph's father was named Jacob. Jacob was also called Israel after he wrestled with an angel of God. Jacob loved God. He taught his sons to love God, too. Joseph also loved God.

Jacob lived in Canaan, the land promised to his grandfather, Abraham. Jacob owned many sheep. His sons took care of the sheep.

Jacob loved Joseph more than he loved any of his other sons. Jacob loved Joseph because Jacob loved Joseph's mother very much. Jacob made a beautiful coat for Joseph. The coat had many colors. This coat showed how much Jacob loved Joseph.



Choose the correct word to finish each sentence.

loved

Canaan

Benjamin

twelve

- 1.1 Jacob had _____ sons.
- 1.2 Joseph's little brother was named _____.
- 1.3 Jacob made the beautiful coat for Joseph because Jacob _____ Joseph very much.



Find Joseph.

- 1.4 Circle the son that you think is Joseph in the picture below.



Joseph liked to wear his new coat of many colors. It made him feel very special. When his brothers saw the coat, they knew that Jacob loved Joseph more than them. The big brothers were angry and sad because Jacob had made only Joseph a beautiful coat. They were **jealous** of Joseph and did not like him.



Color this picture.

Make the stripes in Joseph's coat very bright.



Two Dreams

One night, Joseph had a dream about his eleven brothers and himself. When he told his brothers about his dream, they hated him even more!

In the dream, Joseph and his brothers were binding **sheaves** of grain out in the field. Suddenly, Joseph's **sheaf** rose and stood upright. Then the brothers' sheaves gathered around Joseph's sheaf and bowed down to it!

"Do you think that you will rule over us?" they asked.

They could not imagine ever bowing down to their little brother.

Things got even worse after Joseph had a second dream. In this dream, the sun, moon, and eleven stars bowed down to Joseph. This time, Joseph told his father and his brothers about it. When Jacob heard it, he had to **rebuke** Joseph. Jacob said, "What is this dream that you have dreamed? Shall I and your mother and your brothers indeed come to bow ourselves to the ground before you?"

The older brothers hated Joseph even more, but Joseph's father wondered about and would remember Joseph's dream.



| Joseph's dreams



Circle the correct answers.

- 1.5** Jacob taught Joseph to _____ .
 a. run fast b. make rugs c. love God
- 1.6** The eleven stars in the dream stood for _____ .
 a. eleven brothers b. eleven colors c. eleven stripes
- 1.7** The sun and moon in the second dream stood for _____ .
 a. day and night
 b. Joseph's father and mother
 c. the sheep
- 1.8** When Joseph's brothers heard about his two dreams they _____ him even more.
 a. loved b. hated c. listened to



Complete this puzzle.

- 1.9** Circle the seven hidden words in the box.

Joseph
 sheep
 dream
 sheaf
 coat
 Jacob
 Egypt

J	O	S	E	P	H	V	W
A	F	H	D	R	E	A	M
C	C	E	G	Y	P	T	A
O	O	A	S	H	E	E	P
B	A	F	X	C	J	S	Q
N	T	L	O	G	Z	S	R



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A Deep, Dark Pit!

One day, Joseph's older brothers were taking care of their father's sheep in a different place. Jacob called Joseph and said, "Son, go find your brothers. See if they are all right. Find out if the sheep are safe." Joseph put on his coat of many colors and went to see his brothers.

When the brothers saw Joseph coming, they said, "Here comes that dreamer!" They were still very angry at Joseph.

Some of them even said, "Let's kill him and throw him into one of these pits!" They were so jealous of Joseph that they wanted to kill him.

But Reuben, Joseph's oldest brother, said, "Let's not take his life." Reuben planned to rescue Joseph later and take him back to his father.

When Joseph arrived, the brothers tore off his beautiful robe. Then, they threw Joseph into a deep, dark pit! It was an old well, but it had no water in it. Joseph could not get out!

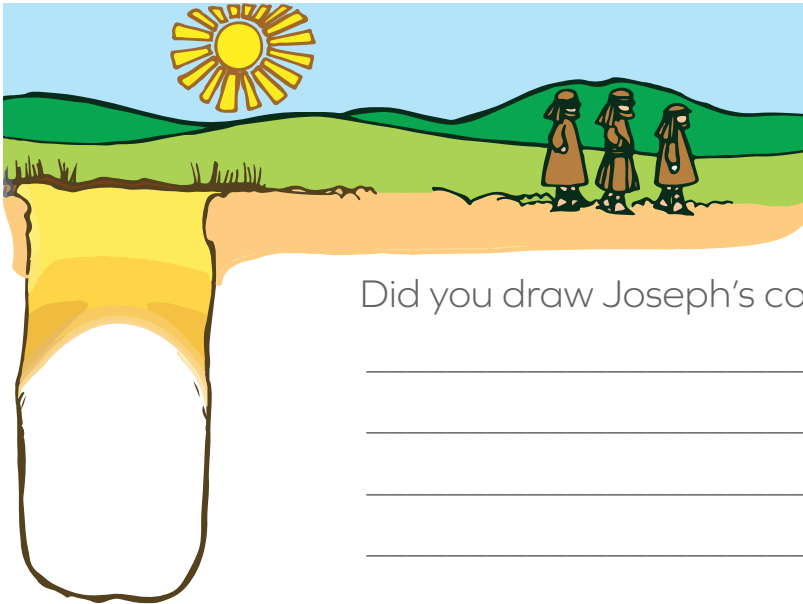


| Joseph was thrown into a deep pit.



Draw Joseph at the bottom of the pit. Then answer the question.

1.10



Did you draw Joseph's coat on him? Why not?



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Joseph was in a lot of trouble! He was stuck in the pit with no way out. It was too deep. He probably felt very sad and alone. Also, he was probably very hurt that his own brothers had thrown him into the pit!



Think about that deep pit. Write the correct words on the lines.

1.11

One of Joseph's brothers did not want him to be killed. His name was _____.

a. Reuben

b. Benjamin

SELF TEST 1

Each answer = 1 point

Circle the correct answers.

- 1.01** What did Jacob's sons do?
 a. care for sheep b. make brooms c. milk cows
- 1.02** What did Jacob make Joseph to show his love?
 a. shoes b. a coat c. a sword

Fill in the missing word.

- 1.03** Jacob had _____ sons.
- 1.04** Jacob taught Joseph to _____ God.

Draw a line to match the answers.

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|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 1.05 Joseph's father | ● | a. Benjamin |
| 1.06 Joseph's little brother | ● | b. Jacob |
| 1.07 Jacob lived here | ● | c. Egypt |
| 1.08 Joseph's oldest brother | ● | d. Canaan |
| 1.09 Traders took Joseph here | ● | e. Reuben |
| | | f. Judah |

Write *yes* or *no* before each sentence.

- 1.010** _____ Joseph's brothers were happy about his dreams.
- 1.011** _____ "And we know that all things work together for good to them who love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

- 1.012** _____ When his brothers were gone, Joseph climbed out of the pit.
- 1.013** _____ His brothers sold Joseph to traders for thirty pieces of silver.
- 1.014** _____ God cared for Joseph in the pit and had a wonderful plan for him.



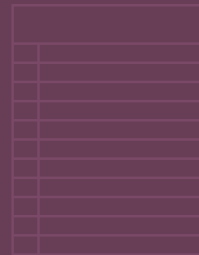
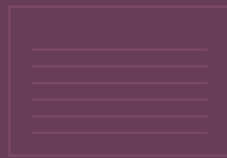
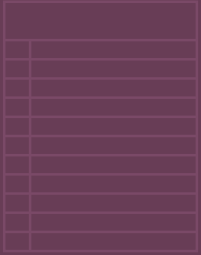
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