



Unit 4, Lesson 13

TODAY'S EPIC STORY: FROM FAVORED SON TO SLAVE

GENESIS 37:1-36;
39:1-2

THE STORY @ HOME

Our Epic story today was about Jacob's son, Joseph, and Joseph's brothers. Jacob loved Joseph and made him a special robe, but his brothers were jealous. They took Joseph's robe and put him in a cistern or well. Then, they sold him to some travelers. The brothers tore the robe and dipped it in blood to make Jacob think that Joseph had been killed by a wild animal. The travelers were Midianites who took Joseph to Egypt with them. There they sold him to Potiphar, one of the Pharaoh's officials.

PARENTS & KIDS QUESTIONS:

- Why were Joseph's brothers jealous of him? If you were one of Joseph's brothers, would you have been jealous? Have you ever been jealous of anyone?
- What do you think Joseph's dreams mean?
- How do you think Joseph feels when his brothers throw him into the cistern (well) and then sell him?
- What kinds of things do you think will happen to Joseph in Egypt?

TOGETHER @ HOME

Using paper and crayons or more elaborate supplies, design a richly ornamented robe or jacket of your choice. Joseph's coat was richly ornamented. What does yours look like? Perhaps it represents a favorite team or sports lots of bling. Share your jacket designs with each other.

BIBLE MEMORY @ HOME

"Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you." (Isaiah 54:10)

Write the verse on a chalkboard or whiteboard, or use a pencil to write it on a piece of paper. Say the verse together. Then, erase a word. Repeat the verse and then erase another word. Continue until all or most of the words have been erased. Then, say the verse by memory.