



CROSSOVER

FROM EVERYDAY TO EXTRAORDINARY

FAMILY GUIDE: MAY 31, 2020

BIBLE STORY: The Life of Joseph • Genesis 37, 39-45, 50:19-20

BOTTOM LINE: Live like you know God is with you.

MEMORY VERSE: "I have come so they may have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way." John 10:10b, NIV

QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Ask the following questions to your kids this week

- Who is always with you? (*God is always with me.*)
- What things remind you that God is always with you

FAMILY PRAYER ACTIVITY:

Remind your kids of our bottom line: "Live like you know God is with you".

God is with you when things are hard, and He's with you when things are easy. God is with you when you're happy, and He's with you when you're sad. No matter what is happening in your life, God is ALWAYS with you. He will NEVER leave you. He will NEVER turn away from you. He loves you with a love that will never stop!

Let's pray:

"Dear God, thank You that You are always with us. You will never leave us. You will never turn away from us. Help us remember that You are with us when things are good and help us remember that You are with us when things are hard. We love You, Lord. Amen."



FAMILY ACTIVITY - HIGHS AND LOWS:

WHAT YOU DO:

Play a Bible Story Review Game with your kids. Tell them that you will read the following statements. If it was a high point in Joseph's life, then they will jump. If it was a low point in Joseph's life, then they will lay down.

STATEMENTS:

1. Jacob loved his son, Joseph, more than any of his other sons. He showed his love by giving Joseph a beautiful coat to wear.
2. Joseph had dreams that one day his father and brothers would bow before him.
3. Joseph's brothers hated him for his dreams, so they threw him into a pit.
4. Joseph was sold as a slave to a man named Potiphar.
5. God gave Joseph success, so Potiphar put Joseph in charge of everything.
6. Potiphar's wife lied and said that Joseph did something that he didn't do. Joseph was put in prison.
7. The man who ran the prison saw that God gave Joseph success in everything he did, so he put Joseph in charge of all the prisoners.
8. One night, the baker and wine taster each had a dream. God gave Joseph the meanings of their dreams, and the dreams came true.
9. But Joseph stayed in prison for two more years.
10. When Joseph told Pharaoh the meaning of his dream, Pharaoh made him second in command.
11. There were seven years with plenty of food, followed by seven years with no food at all.
12. When Joseph's brothers came to Egypt to buy food, they bowed down to him.
13. Joseph told his brothers who he was. He hugged them and said, "Don't be afraid. You planned to harm me. But God planned it for good."

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Some things in Joseph's life seemed to be real lows: his brothers threw him in a pit, Potiphar's wife lied and said that he did something that he didn't do, and he was in prison for many years. Other things in Joseph's life seemed to be highs: his father gave him a special robe, he had dreams that his father and brothers would bow to him, and Pharaoh made him second in command over all of Egypt."

"But no matter what was happening in his life, Joseph lived like he knew God was with him. He never complained. He never got angry. He even forgave his brothers for the bad things they did to him."

"Just like Joseph, you can live like you know God is with you, too. You can live like you know God is with you because God IS with you, no matter what! He's with you when things are hard, and He's with you when things are easy. He's with you when you're happy, and He's with you when you're sad. No matter what, God is ALWAYS with you. So remember: live like you know God is with you. He will NEVER leave you. He will NEVER turn away from you."