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Series: God Is There In Tough Times
Fall Year 2, Lesson 25

Joseph is Sold By His Brothers

Take Home Point: *EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES
...*God keeps me safe.*

*Repeat this phrase throughout the lesson. The leader will say the first part of the phrase (*CAPS*). The children respond with the second part of the phrase (*italics*).

Bible Event: Genesis 37: 12-36

We will help children know:

- The Bible Event of Joseph being sold into slavery.
- God kept Joseph safe and he keeps us safe in tough times.
- Jesus died and rose so that he can be with us always and keep us safe.

We will help the children feel:

- Comforted by knowing that God is always present and keeps them safe.
- Strengthened for tough times.
- Hopeful that they can make it through tough times because of Jesus.

We will help the children do:

- Interact with puppet presentation to introduce the Bible Event.
- Participate in the Bible event.
- Craft: Coat of Many Colors.
- Snack: Joseph's Animals.
- Game: Coat of Many Colors Relay.
- Teach Albie the Take Home Point: EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...*God keeps me safe.*
- Sing and Pray.

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THIS LESSON'S ROADMAP

DESTINATION	PAGE #	DISCOVERIES ON YOUR JOURNEY	SUPPLIES NEEDED
Large Group Opening 	3 5	Puppet Presentation Bible Event	<i>Puppet Presentation:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judy puppet • Bible <i>Bible Event:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VCR and television • video: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Option 1: "Joseph in Egypt"</i> from The Animated Stories From the Bible series—order from www.nestfamily.com • <i>Option 2: "Joseph: King of Dreams"</i> by Dreamworks—order from www.amazon.com
Small Group Application 	7 8 9 10	Activity 1: Craft-Coat of Many Colors Activity 2: Snack-Joseph's Animals Activity 3: Game-Coat of Many Colors Relay Prayer Time	<i>Activity 1: Craft</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One large grocery sack per child • glue sticks or glue • 6 streamers for each child of various colors cut into 24" strips • Optional: markers instead of streamers • See Craft for before class preparations <i>Activity 2: Snack</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • napkins, cups, water or juice • animal crackers • Option: grapes, oranges and strawberries <i>Activity 3: Game</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • masking tape • poster board or newsprint cut into a coat shape (one per small group) • watch or timer • Post-It notes or 3" square pieces of different colored construction paper and tape
Large Group Wrap-up 	11 11	Singing (Optional) Lesson Review with Puppet Skit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • your choice of music • Albie puppet • Example of craft • Example of snack

Pre-Session Singing (10 minutes)

Purpose: *When all children are in one group singing, it is easy for children arriving later to join the group and immediately get involved.*

Large Group Opening (15 minutes)



Purpose: *The puppet demonstrates today's lesson. The children are introduced to the take home point and experience the Bible event.*

Puppet Presentation

*Supplies: Judy puppet wearing a mini version of the craft made from a lunch sack;
Presenter holds a Bible*

Presenter: **Boys and girls, let's call Judy.** *(Children call "Judy".)*

Judy: Hi everyone.

Presenter: **Wow, Judy, what is that you are wearing?**

Judy: I call it my colorful love cape.

Presenter: **Where did you get it?**

Judy: It is very special to me. My grandmother cut and sewed pieces of material from my baby clothes to make it for me.

Presenter: **That makes it very special.**

Judy: It is the only one in the whole world.

Presenter: **You are really blessed to have something so special.**

Judy: I know. Bubba does not like to see me wearing it.

Presenter: **Why?**

Judy: Because he does not have one. Sometimes twins want to have the same things.

Presenter: **I see. Maybe your grandmother could make him one.**

Judy: She said it is not something for a boy.

Presenter: **I suppose that is true.**

Judy: You want to know the real truth?

Presenter: Sure. What is the real truth?

Judy: My grandmother likes me better!

Presenter: How do you know?

Judy: She loves Bubba, but he is such a boy! He is loud, he runs in the house, he knocks things over and he gets dirty!

Presenter: That sounds like Bubba.

Judy: My grandmother and I bake together, have tea parties and she paints my fingernails.

Presenter: Those do sound like girl things. This reminds me of our Bible event today.

Judy: Did someone's grandmother make them a colorful love cape?

Presenter: Not exactly. Jacob had many sons, but he liked his son Joseph the best. Jacob gave Joseph a beautiful coat made of many colors. His brothers were very mad. They hated Joseph and wanted to kill him.

Judy: That is terrible!

Presenter: Yes it is. They were mean to Joseph. But there is a good side to this Bible event.

Judy: What?

Presenter: God was with Joseph and kept him safe. He was not killed. Instead he was sold into slavery. In the next two weeks we will learn that God used Joseph's slavery to save himself, his family and many, many people.

Judy: Being a slave sounds awful.

Presenter: It was a tough time for Joseph, but God was with him and kept him safe. Would you like to learn more about this Bible event?

Judy: Yes I would.

Presenter: First, let's practice the take home point. I'll say the first part and you say the second part.

Judy: OK

Presenter: *EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES... now you say, "God keeps me safe."

Judy: God keeps me safe.

Presenter: Do you think you can teach the boys and girls?

Judy: Sure.

Presenter: Okay everybody, *EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...

Judy: (and everyone): God keeps me safe.

Presenter: One more time. * EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...

Judy: (and everyone): God keeps me safe.

Presenter: Wonderful. Say "goodbye" Judy.

Judy: Bye everyone!

Bible Event: Video Presentation

Supplies:

Presenter holds the Bible

Option 1: Show the video, *Animated Stories from the Bible, Joseph in Egypt*, to the children. Start with the captain of the guard telling Pharaoh, "Joseph was his father's favorite son." (Cue: 6:14.) End with Potiphar saying, "Hire men for the stable, Joseph. We'll pay them the higher wage you suggested." (Cue: 11:04) This option is almost five minutes long.

Option 2: Show the video, *Joseph, King of Dreams*. After the video, point out to the children:

Joseph's brothers hated Joseph because his father loved him more. They wanted to kill Joseph, but God used his brother, Reuben, to keep him safe. Instead, Joseph was thrown into a well and then sold as a slave. That probably made Joseph feel sad and scared, but in the next couple weeks, we will learn that God was still keeping Joseph safe. We will learn that because Joseph became a slave, God was able to use him to save many, many people. God also used Joseph's slavery to make his brothers sorry for what they did so they could be forgiven.

God also keeps us safe in tough times. Our toughest times are when we sin. God kept us safe from sin by sending Jesus to die for us and

rise again to take away our sins. Now Jesus is with us always, keeping us safe.

Boys and girls, let's practice the take home point together. I will say the first part and you repeat the last part. ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...*God keeps me safe.***

Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

Dear God,
We love you.
Even in tough times,
You keep me safe.
Thank you, thank you, thank you.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Song:

Let's sing our song of the week. (To the tune of *Farmer in the Dell*)
Capitalized letters indicate emphasis on that syllable when the rhyme is sung.

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Small Group Application (30 minutes)



Purpose: Children will break into small groups. Smaller groups enable children to develop closer relationships with adults and peers in the church. In your small groups you will reinforce the take home point with a fun hands-on activity and discuss the Bible event. Review questions help kids apply the take home point to their daily lives.

Activity 1: Craft “Coat of Many Colors”

Supplies: one large paper grocery sack per child; glue or glue sticks; two foot streamers of various colors, 6 per child; Optional: markers instead of streamers

Before class, prepare “coat” by doing the following:

- Cut the bottom out of the bag.
- Cut a line in the middle of one of the wider sides of the bag from top to bottom.
- Cut a 6-8 inch half circle at the neckline
- Cut a circle, 6-inches in diameter, on each of the two narrower sides of the bag about 6-inches from the bottom.

Boys and girls, today we are going to make a colorful coat like Jacob gave to Jacob.

Glue the streamers on the bag to decorate.

If using the option of markers, have children color the bag as they wish.

The brothers hated Joseph because they were jealous that their father loved him more and gave him a beautiful coat. Joseph’s coat was torn up, but Joseph’s life was saved. When we have tough times, bad things might happen to us, but God still loves us and takes care of us.



Review the Bible Event.

What danger did Joseph face? (*Being killed by his brothers.*)

Let’s practice the take home point. *EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...God keeps me safe.

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Activity 2: Snack “Joseph's Animals”

Supplies: napkins, cups, water or juice; Option 1: animal crackers. Option 2: grapes, oranges and strawberries

*****CAUTION: Be aware of food allergies children may have, before you give them anything to eat.**

Before we eat our snack, let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

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Amen.

Option 1:

Boys and girls, today we are going to eat animals that were part of the Bible event. Joseph's brothers were watching the goats and sheep. The travelers came with donkeys and the brothers told their father that wild animals killed Joseph. God kept Joseph safe from being killed and he keeps us safe. Go ahead and eat your animals.

Option 2:

Boys and girls, today we are going to eat colorful fruit. They will remind us of Joseph's colorful coat. Give fruit of each color to children.

Review the Bible event.

How did God keep Joseph safe? (*Instead of being killed, he was sold into slavery where he would be able to help many people.*)

Let's practice the take home point. ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...God keeps me safe.**

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Activity 3: Game “Coat of Many Colors Relay”

Supplies: masking tape; poster board or newspaper cut into a coat shape (one for each small group); watch or timer; different colored Post-It notes or 3” square pieces of different colors of construction paper and tape

Before class, tape a paper coat to the wall for each team competing in this relay (minimum of two teams).

Put a line of masking tape about ten feet from the coat on the wall.

Boys and girls, today we are going to change a plain coat into a coat of many colors during our relay race. Let's begin.

Each team line up behind the masking tape.

I will give each team several pads of Post-It notes in different colors (or pieces of construction paper and one roll of tape per team).

When I say “GO!”, the first person in line will grab a Post-It note, run to your team's coat, attach it, run back and tag the next person then go to the end of the line. We will keep going for five minutes so your coat will be very colorful. The team with the most colorful coat will be the winner.

Joseph's brothers were jealous of him because their father loved him more and gave him a beautiful coat of many colors. When they wanted to kill him, it was a tough time for Joseph, but God kept him safe. Our toughest times are when we sin, because God, while he always loves us, hates sin because it separates us from him. Jesus died on the cross and rose again so we can be forgiven. Jesus has kept us safe from our sins, and God and Jesus can always be with us.

Review the Bible event.

What are some tough times we face? (*Answers will vary but may include: getting hurt, sinning, fighting, being afraid, etc.*)

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Prayer Time:

What does God do for us in tough times? (*He is with us and keeps us safe.*)
How has Jesus kept us safe? (*He died so our sins could be forgiven.*)

Ask children for prayer requests and pray as a group for child's request.

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Large Group Wrap-Up (10 minutes)



Purpose: *The crazy bird puppet, Albie, struggles with learning the take home point. We try to teach him the take home point, but each time he confuses words or concepts. After three attempts, he finally gets it right.*

Singing: (Optional, two or three songs, as time allows)

Supplies: Albie the puppet, sample of today's craft and snack.

Lesson Review with Puppet Skit

Presenter shows Albie an example of each of the Activities done in small group. Then the kids attempt to teach Albie the take home point.

Presenter: **We want to welcome all our guests today and thank them for coming.**

(If you give guests a gift for coming, do it now.)

Presenter: **Albie, look at the craft the children made today. It is a Coat of Many Colors. The children are going to teach you our take home point. Listen carefully.**



Presenter: (says to kids): ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...**
Kids say: ...God keeps me safe.

Presenter: (says to Albie): ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...**
Albie says: I like to wear pretty coats!

Presenter: **Albie, look at the snack we ate. It is Joseph's Animals. Now listen carefully to the take home point.**

Presenter: (says to kids): ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...**
Kids say: ...God keeps me safe.

Presenter: (says to Albie): ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...**
Albie says: My underwear is always clean!

Presenter: **Albie, today we played a game called Coat of Many Colors Relay. Now, please listen closely to the take home point.**

Presenter: (says to kids): ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...**
Kids say: ...God keeps me safe.

Presenter: (says to Albie): ***EVEN IN TOUGH TIMES...**
Albie says: Goats are smelly animals!

Presenter says: **"Albie, listen one last time.**

