

Lesson 13: Joseph Flees from Potiphar's Wife

Objectives: Students will...

- 1) Study Genesis Chapter 39: Joseph and Potiphar's Wife
- 2) Learn that we must put God before anything else and flee from sin.

Supplies:

Teacher Materials (provided in classroom)

- Bible(s)
- Markers/Pencil Crayons
- Pens/Pencils
- Attendance Chart (See Template)
- Stickers for Attendance
- Joseph Flees from Potiphar's Wife Activity Sheet – one per child
- Joseph Flees Maze Activity – one per child

Optional:

- Storybook of this chapter in Genesis with pictures or visual to show kids (if available)

Snack:

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| - Tortilla "Cloak" Template | one to cut out and use for cloak |
| - Tortillas (Soft-Shelled Round Wraps) | one per child |
| - Pickles and/or Cheese – to get wrapped in tortilla | two per child |
| - Napkins for snack | one per child |
| - Juice or water and cup | one per child |

Lesson:

1) Introduction to Lesson

2-5 minutes

As students enter, welcome them and help find a chair to sit at. Thank them for coming. Take attendance.

What did we study last week about Joseph and his brothers? We learned that Joseph was sold as a slave by his brothers to some travelling Ishmaelites who sold him to Potiphar the captain of the guard in Egypt. We also learned that Judah then left his family and had twin sons whom one of them – Perez, was an ancestor to Jesus.

This week we will learn about the importance of friendship and how Joseph kept putting God first and being a good and obedient person even when he faced sadness and disappointment.

2) Joseph at Potiphar's House

10-15 minutes

Optional: if you have a book with pictures or visuals showing this story you can show the pictures as you read from the Bible

Ask students to turn to Genesis 39. Read from **Genesis 39:1-23**. Stop as needed to ask questions as you go, or save all the questions for the end.

Discuss the following Questions:

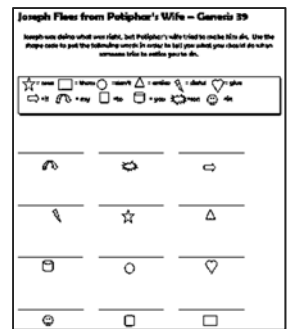
Why did Joseph do well in everything he did? Because God was with him.

What does that mean? Joseph put God first and so God blessed him in all he did.

When Joseph was being asked by Potiphar's wife to do something bad what was Joseph's response in verse 9? "How could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?"

Who was Joseph sinning against? God not just Potiphar if he agreed to be with his wife.

What are some strong characteristics or things to note about Joseph? He put God first, he trusted God, he worked hard, he did not complain or give up, he was responsible and trustworthy. Allow for other questions before moving on.



Old Testament Books of the Bible – Sung to the Alphabet song or 10 Little Ladybugs song

7) Close in prayer

*If desired, ask the children if they have any prayer requests and write them down to help you remember. Then ask all children to bow their heads and fold their hands to pray.

Pray that God will help us resist temptation like Joseph and pray also that if and when bad things happen – we will not stay mad but move on to do God's will no matter where our lives take us! Help us to help others, help us to serve You God, and help us to be grateful for all the wonderful things You give us!

Thank you for serving Christ in this way!