

## Faith on the Go!

**Do** an experiment. Pose a forgiveness situation and see how many people can and can't forgive. Tally your results.

The sound of weeping was heard many times in this story.

**Listen** for the sounds of weeping this week.

**Learn** about what causes famines and how we can prevent them.

**Pantomime** how you and others act when afraid or sad.

**Collect** pictures of people who are sad or hurt. Look at each picture as you pray for them.

Fill in the blanks by using the words you chose on the previous page. Read your story aloud to others.

Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ so loudly that the Egyptians could hear him. "I am your

(1)

\_\_\_\_\_, Joseph. You shall \_\_\_\_\_ in the land of Goshen.

(2)

(3)

I will \_\_\_\_\_ for you since there will be \_\_\_\_\_ more years

(4)

(5)

of \_\_\_\_\_. Go \_\_\_\_\_ and bring my \_\_\_\_\_

(6)

(7)

(8)

here to live in this place."

# Joseph Helps His Family



Pentecost

Genesis 45:1-15;  
50:15-21

God always **works** for good.

## I wonder...

- Why they all cried so loudly.
- How Joseph's brothers felt when Joseph forgave them.
- If I could forgive someone who really hurt me.

## Turning Out Better Than Expected

Sam stared out the bus window on his way home from camp. He knew his brother, Will, would be waiting with Dad. *What should I say to Will?* It took him three days to really forget how mad he was when Will decided at the last minute not to go. It was hard going to a new camp alone.

Sam spotted Will before the bus came to a full stop. He hopped from foot to foot, and was talking non-stop to Dad. Did he get in trouble when Dad found out he lied about wanting to go? Dad had his hand on Will's shoulders and pointed him toward the bus. He was trapped.

Dad stepped around Will to hug Sam. "Welcome home, Sport." Dad pounded his hands on his back. Will stood still. He looked like a criminal awaiting his sentence.

Sam leaned toward Will and slugged him on the shoulder. "You missed out," he said.

"Sorry about backing out on you." Then Will slugged him back, but not very hard. The two of them smiled, and they all turned to go home.



## Ask Dara

Joseph's brothers are coming to see him tomorrow. You are Dara, an advice columnist. Answer Joseph's letter and help him know what to do.

Dear Dara:  
My brothers sold me as a slave many years ago and I ended up here in Egypt. I've done well and now hold great power. They are coming tomorrow, asking for food. They do not know it is their brother they will be coming to see. What should I do? What should I say to them?

Sincerely,  
Joseph

Dear Joseph:



## Look it Up!

Find out what Pharaoh told Joseph's family to do in **Genesis 45:16-20**.



## Memory Verse

Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today.  
**Genesis 50:20**

## Fun Facts

A **famine** is a drastic and widespread shortage of food.

**Goshen** was located in the fertile Nile Delta and was near Egypt's capital.

**Goshen** was about 900 square miles (1450 square kilometers) in size.

The **Egyptians** ate bread, onions, other vegetables, and dried fish.

The **Egyptians** grew mainly wheat and barley and used these grains to make bread, soup, and porridge.

**Archaeologists** have found seeds that show that Egyptians grew watermelons.

## Create a Story

Try this create-a-story! Write the words in the blanks. Then put them onto the next page to tell another version of the story.

1. Verb ending in -ed \_\_\_\_\_

2. Singular noun \_\_\_\_\_

3. Verb \_\_\_\_\_

4. Verb \_\_\_\_\_

5. Number \_\_\_\_\_

6. Noun \_\_\_\_\_

7. Adverb \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plural noun \_\_\_\_\_