

JOSEPH

MAIN LESSON

BOTTOM LINE: God is with us even in scary times.

OBJECTIVE: Preschoolers will say “I can trust God when I’m scared.”

KEY PASSAGE: Genesis 39:20-40:23, Joseph in Prison

WORSHIP TIME:

Prior to the lesson, sing one or two songs with the kids. Use CDs or live lyrics of songs that the kids are familiar with.

LESSON:

Today’s story comes to us from the Bible. *(Hold up a Bible.)* The Bible is God’s word to us, so we know that everything it says is true. *(Open the Bible and set it down in front of you as you give the lesson.)*

Sometimes scary things happen. But we can trust God even when we’re scared.

Jacob loved his son Joseph very much. He gave Joseph a beautiful coat, filled with many colors: Purple, blue, green and yellow

Yellow is the color of fear. Joseph had reason to be scared. His brothers had sold him and taken him away. Joseph ended up in Egypt working for a man named Potiphar. Even though Joseph did nothing wrong, Potiphar had Joseph thrown in jail. What a scary place to be.

But Joseph trusted God, and God took care of Joseph in jail. The jail keeper liked Joseph, so he put Joseph in charge of all the other prisoners and allowed him to do as he pleased. Joseph used his power to help other prisoners.

There were two men in jail who both had bad dreams the same night. They were scared. Joseph trusted God, and God showed Joseph what the dreams meant. Joseph was able to explain what God was telling them through their dreams. Joseph helped other people.

Through it all, Joseph trusted in God. God took care of Joseph and protected him, even in scary times. I can trust God always. I can trust God when I’m scared.

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SIMPLE PRAYER:

Dear God,

Help us to trust in you, even when things are scary.

Amen