



ELEMENTARY

OCTOBER WEEK 1 PLAN

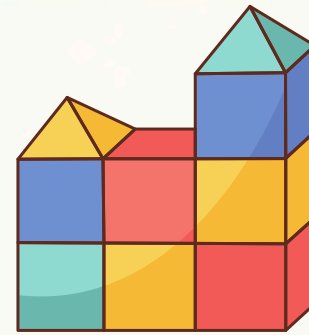


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WELCOME KIDS!

Play outside or color

10 MINS

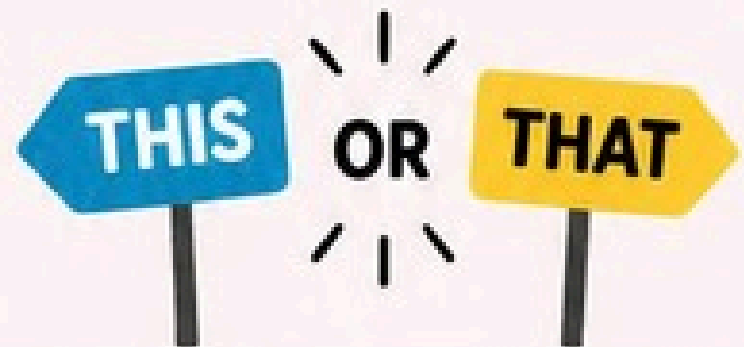


2

ICE BREAKER GAME

"This or That"

5 MINS



3

WORSHIP SONGS and BIBLE STORY SKIT

20 MINS



4

JESUS CONNECTION

Salvation call

5 MINS



5

SMALL GROUP BREAK OUT

20 MINS

4TH / 5TH GRADE

- Discussion questions about Joseph
- Read Bible verses together

1ST / 2ND / 3RD GRADE

- "Joseph Says" game (like Simon Says)
- Verse coloring page

THIS OR THAT

A MOVEMENT GAME FOR 1ST-5TH GRADE

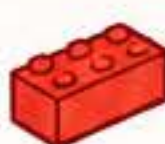
HOW TO PLAY

- 1 Have all the kids start in the middle of the room.
- 2 Read a "This or That" choice. One option will be the left side of the room and the other option will be the right side.
- 3 Kids move to the side that matches their choice (about 5-10 seconds).
- 4 Make a quick comment, then have everyone return to the middle for the next question.

THERE ARE NO WRONG ANSWERS! JUST HAVE FUN!



THIS OR THAT LIST

- 1 LEGO **or** Squishmallows  
- 2 Pizza **or** Tacos  
- 3 Dogs **or** Cats  
- 4 Disneyland **or** Universal Studios 
- 5 Ice Cream **or** Donuts 
- 6 Beach **or** Swimming Pool 
- 7 Summer **or** Winter  
- 8 Pancakes **or** Waffles 
- 9 Minecraft **or** Roblox 
- 10 Chocolate **or** Vanilla 
- 11 Soccer **or** Basketball 
- 12 Movies **or** Video Games 
- 13 Burgers **or** Chicken Nuggets 
- 14 Water Slide **or** Roller Coaster 
- 15 Cookies **or** Brownies 
- 16 Super Speed **or** Super Strength 
- 17 Fly **or** Be Invisible

- 18 Dinosaurs **or** Dragons  
- 19 Camping **or** Hotel 
- 20 Cake **or** Cupcakes 
- 21 Stay Up Late **or** Sleep In 
- 22 Dance Party **or** Karaoke 
- 23 Art **or** Sports 
- 24 Books **or** Movies 
- 25 Christmas **or** Your Birthday 
- 26 Roller Skates **or** Scooter 
- 27 Water Balloons **or** Water Guns 
- 28 Popcorn **or** Cotton Candy 
- 29 Zoo **or** Aquarium 
- 30 Pancakes for Dinner **or** Pizza for Breakfast 
- 31 Have a Pet Monkey **or** Pet Penguin 
- 32 Live in a Treehouse **or** Live in a Castle 
- 33 Have a Giant Slide in Your House **or** a Trampoline Floor 
- 34 Talk to Animals **or** Breathe Underwater 
- 35 Never Have Homework Again **or** Get Dessert Every Night 



JOSEPH:

FROM FAVORITE SON TO EGYPT



Mentor narrates the story.

ROLES:

- Mentor = narrator
- Joseph = one child
- Brothers = several children
- Jacob/Father = one child
- Traders/Gyptians = optional children or the whole group

1 JOSEPH AND HIS FAMILY

Joseph was one of Jacob's twelve sons. Jacob loved Joseph very much and gave him a special colorful coat. Joseph's brothers saw how much their father loved him, and they became jealous.



2 JOSEPH'S DREAMS

Joseph had dreams that his brothers' sheaves of grain bowed down to his sheaf. He also dreamed that the sun, moon, and stars bowed to him. When Joseph told his family, his brothers became even more upset.



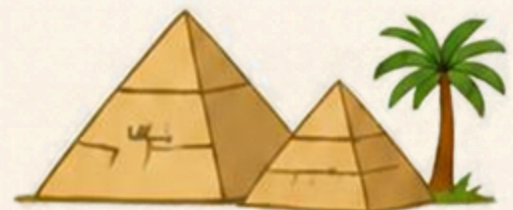
3 THE BROTHERS' PLAN

One day Jacob sent Joseph to check on his brothers. They saw him coming and made a plan against him. They took his colorful coat, put him in a pit, and then sold him to passing traders.



4 JOSEPH IS TAKEN TO EGYPT

Joseph was carried far from home and taken to Egypt. He had to begin a new life in a place he did not know. Even when things changed, God was still with Joseph.



5 GOD IS WITH JOSEPH

Joseph faced many difficult changes, but God did not leave him. God helped Joseph grow in wisdom and used his life to help many people. Joseph's story reminds us that God is with us wherever we go.



CLOSING THOUGHT:

Even when life des not go as we expect, God is with us.





JOSEPH

THE JESUS CONNECTION



Mentor leads the reflection.

1 JESUS IS WITH US

- There are times when life is hard and doesn't go the way we planned.
- Even when Joseph was betrayed, sold, and taken far from home, the Lord was with him.



2 GOD CAN USE EVERYTHING FOR OUR GOOD

- Joseph didn't understand why these hard things were happening, but God had a bigger plan.
- Romans 8:28 tells us that God "works for the good of those who love him and are called according to his purpose."



3 JESUS GIVES US OPPORTUNITIES TO DREAM!

- God gave Joseph dreams, and those dreams were part of His plan for Joseph's life.
- Jesus gives us opportunities to dream too! He puts good dreams and ideas in our hearts to love others, make a difference, and be part of His purpose.



4 A RESPONSE: CHOOSE TO FOLLOW JESUS

- Today, you can choose to trust and follow Jesus.
- You can pray and tell Him you believe He is God's Son, that He died for your sins, and that you want Him to be the leader of your life.



SIMPLE PRAYER

"Jesus, I believe You are God's Son. Thank You for loving me and dying for my sins. I want to follow You and trust Your plan for my life. Help me to know You, obey You, and use the dreams You give me.
Amen."



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JOSHUA 1:9 (NIV)**



JOSEPH

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

4TH / 5TH GRADE



1

Joseph's life didn't go the way he expected. What do you think it was like for him to be betrayed by his own brothers and taken away from home?

- Have you ever had something happen that you didn't understand or that felt unfair? What can we do when life doesn't go the way we hoped?

READ:

**GENESIS
37:23–28**



2

Joseph was far from his family, but he wasn't alone. What does it mean when the Bible says, "the Lord was with Joseph"?

- How can you remembering that God is with you change the way you handle a hard or scary situation?

READ:

**GENESIS
39:2–3**



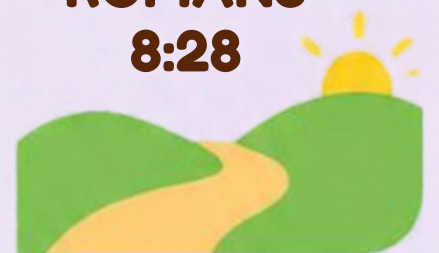
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Joseph couldn't see the whole plan yet. How can God use something difficult and eventually bring good from it?

- Does Romans 8:28 mean everything that happens to us is good? Or does it mean God can use everything for good?

READ:

**ROMANS
8:28**



4

God gave Joseph dreams that were meant to come true in Joseph's life. What are some dreams, ideas, gifts, or things you feel excited about for your own future?

- How could God use the things you're good at or passionate about to help other people and honor Him?

READ:

**EPHESIANS
2:10**



5

When you don't know what's going to happen next, what does it look like to trust God anyway?

- What is one situation in your life right now where you could choose to be strong and courageous because you know God is with you?

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