

Reality LA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

September 12, 2021

Remember: this guide is meant to help facilitate conversations and engagement with Jesus throughout the week, so don't feel like you need to do this all in one day!

What We're Learning This Week

"JOSEPH"
GENESIS 37-50

The story of Joseph is filled with high highs and very low lows. Joseph was hated by his brothers and sold into slavery, he was falsely accused by his master's wife and thrown in prison, and he was left alone and forgotten. But God had a plan through all of this that would raise Joseph into a position of power and save many people from death when a famine hit the land. Joseph's life is a reminder that God ultimately uses all things for good for those who love him. If you find yourself in a situation where it's hard to have hope, remember that Jesus is God's promise to you that he can and will use all evil for good, even in ways we can't see or don't understand.

Discipleship Through Scripture + Conversation

Talk to your kids about the Bible lesson they watched on video. Ask them to explain what they learned/ what stuck out to them in the video, and expand upon the truths of the Bible that they are bringing up. Some helpful conversations this week could be:

- 1. Joseph experienced countless amount of hardship throughout his life.**
 - Are there times where you worry that God is not with you? Why? What are some ways that we can remember the truth of God's presence with you daily?
 - Why do people experience hardship? What has God done about our fallen world?
- 2. The story of Joseph teaches us that God uses all things for His good and our good.**
 - How did God use the worst thing - sending His Son to die for sinners - for good? How is this possible? What does it teach us about who God is?
 - What are other examples of God's presence in places it was least expected in Scripture?
 - Are there examples in your life of God using bad/hard things for good? How does that help you remember God's goodness? How is Jesus your hope?

Discipleship Through Prayer

- Spend time this week praising God for his power and ability to use all things for good. Pray for hearts that truly trust in God's sovereignty over all things and for forgiveness for ways that you have failed to trust Him. Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus, politics, and racial equality in our country - for safety, for healing, for unity, and for specific people you can serve as a family.
- Ask each member of your family – adults included – to share one thing they would like prayer for. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

What's Coming Up?

- We are heading back to Bernstein! Learn all about the move back to the high school [here](#).
- Follow us on Instagram for all of our RLA Kids news! Our handle is [@RealityLAKids](#)
- Stay connected on big events and announcements by joining the [RLA Kids page on RLA Connect](#)
- Continue to be informed through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

Do Your Kids Have Questions About the Scripture? Want to See Something in the Videos?

We love hearing from you! You can email kids@realityla.com at any time with any feedback or questions that your kids have about the video lesson (or any of your thoughts)...we would love to read some on our next video and answer them! We also want to see us be silly, so send suggestions in and we will see what we can do. We also love to be praying with and alongside your family, so please send over prayer requests as well (those will be kept off screen, we just want to pray with and for you.)