



Reality LA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

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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 SENT TO EGYPT"

God was with Joseph at all times, even when he was sold by his brothers and imprisoned. Joseph's brothers turned against him and tried to kill him, but God protected Joseph and used him as part of His plan to rescue his family. In a similar way, people turned against God's Son, Jesus. Jesus' death was God's plan. God is in control of our lives, and He accomplishes His plans in and through us—even as He works through the suffering and injustice we sometimes experience.

Discipleship Through Scripture + Conversation

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

- 1. Joseph had dreams that he would one day rule over his brothers. Joseph's jealous brothers took Joseph, threw him in a pit, and sold him to travelers to get rid of him and his dreams.**
 - Have you ever felt jealous of someone before? Why was that? What were you forgetting about who God is and His character?
 - How did Joseph feel when he was in the pit? How can we react when others mistreat us? How did God protect Joseph in the midst of this danger?
 - How does God use terrible situations as part of His bigger plans? How can we trust in that? In what ways does that bring us any hope or peace in the midst of hard things?
 - How does this story foreshadow the story of Jesus? How does the ultimate story of the Bible fit in to this same type of narrative (God using what people's evil for ultimate good)? What does it tell us about who Jesus is, and what does it tell us about who we are?

Discipleship Through Prayer

Spend time this week praising God for His glory - that He creates everything, sustains everything, and loves with mercy and justice. Pray for God to reveal areas of your heart that you are prone to turn away from Him and His goodness, ask Him to reveal why, and repent of those things. Pray for God to allow the truths of the Gospel to become real to you and to others and to help you turn from sin.

Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus, politics, gun violence, 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?

- 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 or Anything in the Teaching?

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 Bible lesson, or send us any of your thoughts. We also love to be praying with and alongside your family, so please send over prayer requests as well.