

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 SAVED HIS FAMILY"

God redeemed the evil plans of man in order to rescue an entire nation through His grace and faithfulness. God had a plan for Joseph's life. He allowed Joseph to suffer to rescue a whole nation. In a greater way, God planned for Jesus to suffer so that many—people from all nations - would be saved from sin.

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 been sold into slavery, and now he was one of the most powerful people in the nation and he oversaw its flourishing.**
 - How did God use what the brothers intended for evil for everyone's good? What does that tell us about who God is and how He can/does work? What encouragement does it bring to us in times of hardship or sorrow?
 - How does the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus follow along with this theme? What hope does that bring you?
- 2. Despite what was done to him, Joseph showed mercy and compassion to his family.**
 - How did Joseph's suffering allow him to rescue his family and the whole nation? How does that point forward to Jesus? What did Jesus' suffering accomplish, and what does it mean for us?
 - How was Joseph able to forgive His brothers? How does God forgive us? How should that encourage us to forgive others? What should we do if we have wronged someone?

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.