# **Journal Page**

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

#### **FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS**

- How did Joseph's dreams come true?
- How did God use evil for good?
- When someone wrongs you, do you choose to forgive or to seek revenge?

### **Joseph Saved His Family**

Genesis 42-46: 50

#### STORY POINT: GOD SENT JOSEPH TO EGYPT TO ESTABLISH A REMNANT.

Jacob and his family did not have enough food to eat. So when Jacob learned that there was food in Egypt, he sent 10 of his sons to buy some grain. His son Benjamin stayed home.

In Egypt, Joseph was in charge of giving out food. The brothers came to him and bowed down.

Joseph knew who they were, but they did not recognize him. Joseph decided to test his brothers. "I think you are spies," Joseph told them. Joseph said, "Bring your youngest brother back to me to prove that you are not spies. But one of you must stay here."

The brothers went home. They told their father everything that had happened. When all the food was gone, Jacob asked his sons to go back to Egypt.

Joseph invited all of the brothers to his home for a meal.
Joseph told his brothers, "I am Joseph, your brother! You sold me into Egypt, but God sent me here so I could save your people, a remnant, from the famine."

Joseph told his brothers to bring their families back to Egypt, where they would have enough food. On the way to Egypt, God spoke to Jacob in a vision. God said, "Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for I will make you into a great nation there. I will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you back to this land."

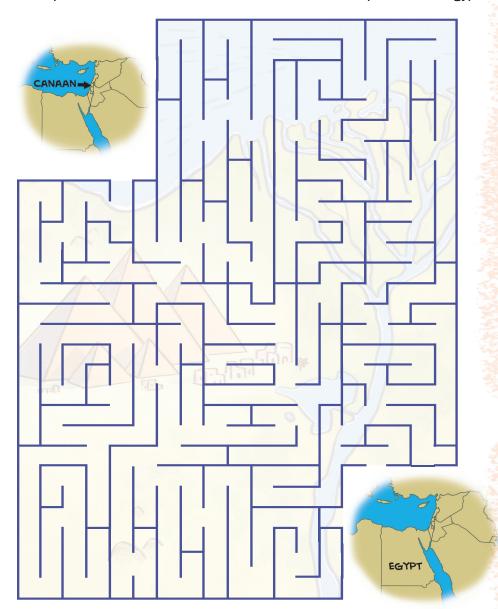
Christ Connection: God had a plan for Joseph's life. He allowed Joseph to suffer to rescue a whole nation. In a greater way, God planned for Jesus to suffer so that many—people from all nations—would be saved from sin.





## **Journey to Egypt**

Complete the maze from Jacob's home in Canaan to Joseph's home in Egypt.





Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery. (Genesis 45:4-7)

Joseph was put in prison for something he didn't do. (Genesis 41:37-40)





Joseph's homeland experienced famine. (Genesis 45:16-18)

## **Meant for Good**

Write how God used each bad situation in Joseph's life for good. Look up the verses in your Bible to check your answers.

