

Sunday, October 25th – Joseph: Slave

What a wonderful day it is today! The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and while there's still bad things happening in the world, we know that God is good!

This week, in Kids Club, we continued to look at the life of Joseph – specifically what happened between his dreams about the sun, moon and stars, and when he interpreted the king's dreams that we learnt about last week. Even though Joseph dreamt about people bowing down before him as a young man, and when he worked for the king it happened, lots of bad things happened between them.

When Joseph told his brothers that one day his whole family would bow down to him, they got so angry that they threw him in a pit! However, instead of leaving him to die, the brothers saw some travellers passing by – so they sold him! I know sometimes growing up I wanted to sell my brothers, but can you imagine actually doing it?

Joseph was sold as a slave. This means he had to do whatever his master told him to do. However, even in this hard time, Joseph trusted in God and he did the right thing. Joseph kept choosing to do the right thing and trusting in God that eventually his master trusted him and got Joseph to manage all the things that happened in his house. But one day, Joseph got in trouble for something he didn't even do. Nonetheless, he got thrown into prison. But in prison, Joseph still listened to God and he helped tell others what their dreams meant. And eventually, the king heard about Joseph being able to tell people what their dreams meant so he called Joseph to help him!

See, in the end everything worked out – God used the bad times (Joseph being sold as a slave) as a way to save an entire country!

We can trust God that even when we go through bad times, that God can use those times for His good. Just like in the song Waymaker – some of the words say “even when I don't see it, You're working, even when I don't feel it, You're working; You never stop, You never stop working!”.

Watch:

Song

- Song of the Week 1: Ready Set Go (ft Capitol Kings) <https://youtu.be/uxEobpy12XE>
- Song of the Week 2: Waymaker https://youtu.be/iDY3a_k_50Q

Story

- Kids Club - Term 4. Joseph the Slave <https://youtu.be/OVB3OdqrE0g>

Ask:

1. What were some of the bad times in Joseph's life?
2. How did God use the bad times for something good?
3. How might God use some of the bad times in your life for something good?

Do:

- *Joseph – Slave's Chains Craft*. Colour in each of the verses in the craft, then cut out each strip, making loops that form a chain like those used to bind Joseph as a slave. Remember to put them in the right order so you can read what happened! <https://bit.ly/3ki7HQ3>
- Spend some time praying and saying thanks to God that we can trust Him even in the bad times