

Joe's Jacket

- We will be hearing the story of Joseph and his life story as told in the Bible.
- This is covered in Genesis chapters 37-45 (that's 8 chapters, 8!)
- The lessons we'll learn relate to gifts/dreams, jealousy, anger, sacrifice, slavery, and forgiveness.

You may learn a few more too!

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The Wonder of Gifts and Dreams

Genesis 37:1-11

Genesis 37:3

Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made a richly ornamented robe for him.

Genesis 37:3

**Now Israel loved Joseph
...and he made a richly
ornamented robe for
him.**

(memorize this verse!!)

Israel: the rest of the story

- Israel was once names Jacob. He was the one who dressed up to steal his brother, Esau's, blessing.
- Isreal/Jacob had 12 sons altogether.
- With Leah: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Isaachar and Zebulun
- Rachel: Joseph and Benjamin
- Bilhah: Dan and Naphtali
- Zilpah: Gad and Asher

Joe Who??

- He had lots of brothers, and half-brothers, and their job was to tend to the sheep. At the time Joe was only 17 (that's young). 😊

<http://www.sheep101.info/>



<http://www.adoptafarm.com/lambgallery.cfm>

One day, Joe tattled on his brothers. The Bible says “he brought their father a bad report about them.” Uh oh, tattle tale little brother, any of you know someone like that?

Joe's Dreams

- Dream 1: Gen 37:6-7

He said to them, "Listen to this dream I had; we were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood up-right, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it."

- Dream 2: Gen 37:9

Then he had another dream, and he told it to his brothers. "Listen," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun and moon and eleven stars were bowing down to me."

2 things for Joseph

A Gift

His father loved him very much and gave him a richly decorated robe (like a coat in today's terms). What would be a gift like that today?

Dreams

He dreamed things that had to do with his family bowing to him. What are some of the dreams that you have had?

The Color Blue

- One more thing!! We are using the color blue for a reason. Since Joseph's robe was made of many colors, we thought we'd explain the many colors of the church to you!
- BLUE: signifies the blue skies or the life-giving air and often signifies hope or good health. Blue is symbolic of heaven, it may also be used to symbolize truth.
- Since today's lesson was about hope and goodness for Joseph, as well as gifts and dreams, things that were good, we went with Blue for today!

Small Groups

Get two sheets of Blue Construction Paper. Illustrate the following with your group, then paste them on the wall!

3rd/4th Graders

- Joseph's 1st Dream
Gen 37:6-7
- What might that look like today?

1st/2nd Graders

- Joseph's 2nd dream
Gen 37:9
- What might that look like today?

5th/6th Graders

- Joseph's Robe
Gen 37:3
- What might that look like today?

Genesis 37:3

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...and he made a richly
ornamented robe for
him.**

(memorize it!!)