

Unit 3, Session 3

Questions for Discussion

(Blue questions are geared toward kids ages 3rd-5th grade.)

- 1. Why can we trust God even when times are hard or bad things happen?** *(God is in control of everything in heaven and on earth. Nothing is outside of God's good plan. God is bigger and stronger than evil. God has good plans. We may not always see how God uses everything for good, but we can remember that one day sin and death will be no more.)*
- 2. God was always with Joseph. Will God ever leave His children? Why?** *(God promises to always be with His children. The Bible is full of verses that remind us that God is always with us. Read Matthew 28:20 or Isaiah 41:10. Trust in God's promises when they may be going through a challenging time.)*
- 3. How does Joseph's story help us understand the importance of forgiveness?** *(Joseph forgave his brothers even after all the wrong they did to him. When we trust in Jesus, He forgives us of our sin. Forgiveness is a mark of someone who trusts in Jesus because we know how much God has forgiven us. Practice forgiving others, knowing that in Jesus we find forgiveness.)*
- 4. God was always with Joseph and blessed him. How has God shown that He is always with you?** *(Think about how God provides for them, helps them, and comforts them. He has proven His love for us through Jesus and gives us the promises of His presence forever when we trust in Jesus. Read John 14:16-17.)*
- 5. Why don't we need to seek revenge when someone wrongs us?** *(Many terrible things happened to Joseph, but he never sought revenge. Joseph even said he was not in the place of God to judge sin (Genesis 50:19). Remember that God is in control, and He alone is Judge. Read 1 Peter 3:9.)*
- 6. How did Joseph show forgiveness? Why should we forgive others?** *(Joseph spoke kindly to his brothers, provided for them, and gave them a home in Egypt. God has made the way for us to be forgiven. Remember the grace God has shown us when they may be tempted to hold a grudge. Read Ephesians 4:32.)*

If you or your children have questions about what it looks like to follow Jesus in salvation or baptism, Pastor Sam would love to talk with you! Please feel free to contact him at ssievers@lenexabaptist.com.