

Joseph Forgives His Family

Genesis 44:1-8

Summer Unit 1:
Joseph Trusts God

Bible Verse:
“Never get tired of doing what is good.”
1 Thessalonians 5:13

God’s Word & Me (Bottom Line):
God helps me do what is right.



What is your favorite food to eat for breakfast? Many breakfast foods are made from grains. Grains are little seeds from plants. Grains are used to make good foods like breads and cereals. Let’s listen to hear about some brothers who had to travel a long way to buy grain.



No food was growing where Jacob and his family lived. They would soon have nothing to **eat**. Then Jacob heard that he could buy grain in Egypt. Grain was just what Jacob and his family needed to make bread and other good foods.

Jacob said to **10** of his sons, “I want you to go to Egypt and buy some grain for us to eat.” Right away the 10 brothers started on their trip to Egypt.



When the brothers finally got to Egypt, they went to the leader who was selling grain. They didn’t know that this leader was their brother Joseph! The brothers hadn’t seen Joseph since he was young. Now he was all grown up. He was dressed like an Egyptian king.



When Joseph looked to see who wanted to buy grain, he was **surprised!** He knew the men standing in front of him were his very own brothers! “We have come to buy grain,” the brothers said to Joseph. Joseph said to his helpers, “Bring these men sacks of grain.” The helpers loaded the brothers’ donkeys with sacks of grain. The brothers returned home.

But later, Joseph’s brothers returned to Egypt because they needed more food. This time Joseph told them “I am your brother Joseph.” The brothers were very surprised! At first they were afraid. They had been very mean to him. *Now will Joseph be mean to us?* they wondered.



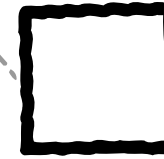
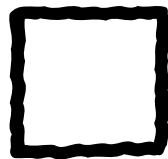
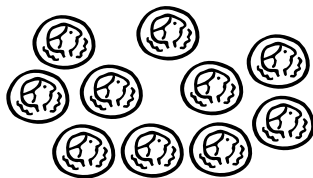
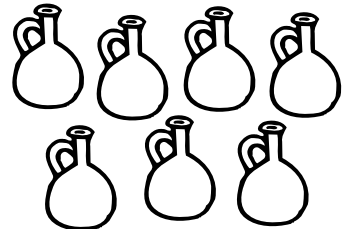
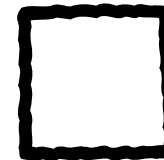
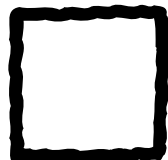
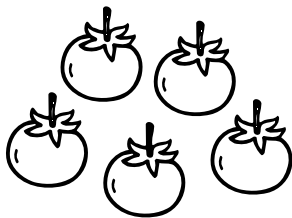
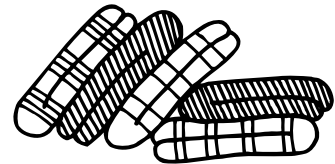
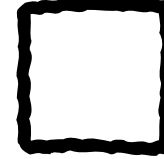
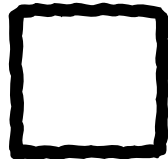
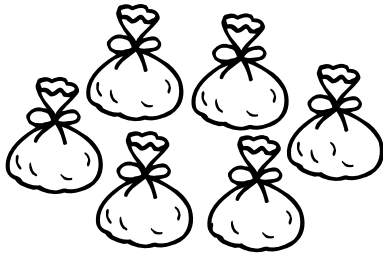
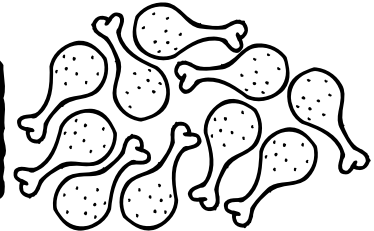
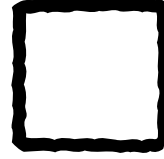
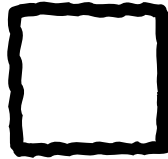
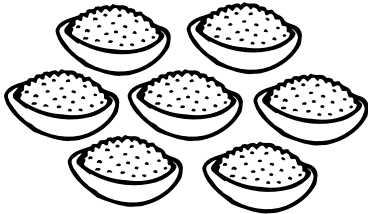
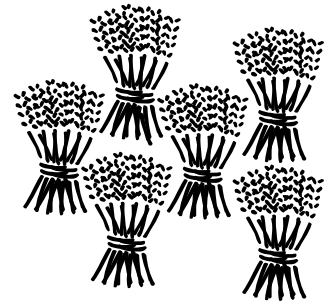
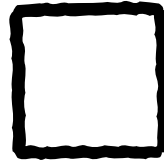
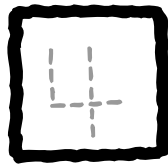
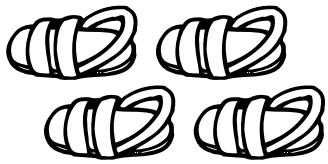
But Joseph **hugged** each of them. “Take plenty of grain home,” Joseph said kindly. “Then hurry back here. Bring our father, Jacob. And bring all your families back here to live.” Soon Joseph’s father and brothers and their families came to live with Joseph. They must have been glad to be together again!





Count each set and write the number. Then draw lines connecting the sets of the same number.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Joseph forgave his family. He showed love for them by giving them what they needed. God helps us show His love to others. The Bible says, "Love one another." John 13:34



Count the items in the sets above to complete these number sentences.

$$\text{bread} + \text{wheat} = \underline{\quad}$$

$$\text{tomato} + \text{jug} = \underline{\quad}$$