

Kids Curriculum

5/31/20

Monthly Topic:

Finding Purpose in our Lives

Main Point:

God gives me special gifts for the good of his plan

Text:

Joseph Interprets Prisoners' Dreams | Genesis 39:20, 40

Worship YouTube Playlist

- This month's songs are "Be Exalted", "Everybody Praise Him", and "This Little Light of Mine" which are at the top of the playlist. Feel free to explore other songs on the playlist if you would like.

Memory Verse

"I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give a future and a hope." -Jeremiah 29:11

- Use "Move to This" motions for younger kids **Page #2**
- Say the verse all together a few times and then ask kids to try to say it by themselves
- **VERSE PRIZE TIME! To get mailed a prize record your kid saying the memory verse and email the video to stephanie.marks@southgrovechurch.com.**

Bible Story Genesis 39:20, 40

- Two reading options
 - The Beginner's Bible (Babies and Pre K&K) **Pages #3-6**
 - ESV Bible (Elementary)



Discussion Questions (More advanced are bold)

- What happened to Joseph?
- What did he do in prison?
- Did his interpretations of the dreams come true?
- How did God use Joseph in prison?
- Who helped Joseph be able to interpret the dreams?
- What special gifts has God given you?
- How can you use the gifts God has given you?
- **How do you think Joseph felt being placed in prison? How would you have felt if you were Joseph?**
- **How do you think Joseph had the wisdom to interpret the dreams?**
- **How did God give Joseph special gifts in prison?**
- **What special gifts do you feel like God has given you?**

Key Points

- God gives us gifts, and these gifts are used in the plan He has for our lives! We can use our gifts to bring honor and glory to God. We want to bring honor and glory to God because He loves us and sent His Son Jesus to save us.

Activity Options Some could be done while parents are listening to the sermon; modify as needed

- Pre K&K Stations **Pages #7-9**
- Bible Station "What are my gifts?" Activity **Page #10**
 - Children will share some of their gifts, and draw pictures showing them in action.

PRAY!

Let's pray that God would give us gifts, and that we would use these gifts well.

Finding Purpose in Our Lives

“Move to This”

“I know the plans I have for you,
declares the Lord, plans for welfare
and not for evil, to give you a future
and a hope.”

Jeremiah 29:11

“I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord”

Point your fingers toward your head,
then point toward a friend.

“Plans for welfare and not for evil, ”

Hug yourself, then wag your finger and shake your head.

“To give you a future and a hope.”

Use your pointer fingers to make a smile on your face.
Smile at a friend.

“Jeremiah 29:11”

Clap the syllables

The Beginner's Bible #1



Pharaoh's Dreams

Genesis 39–41

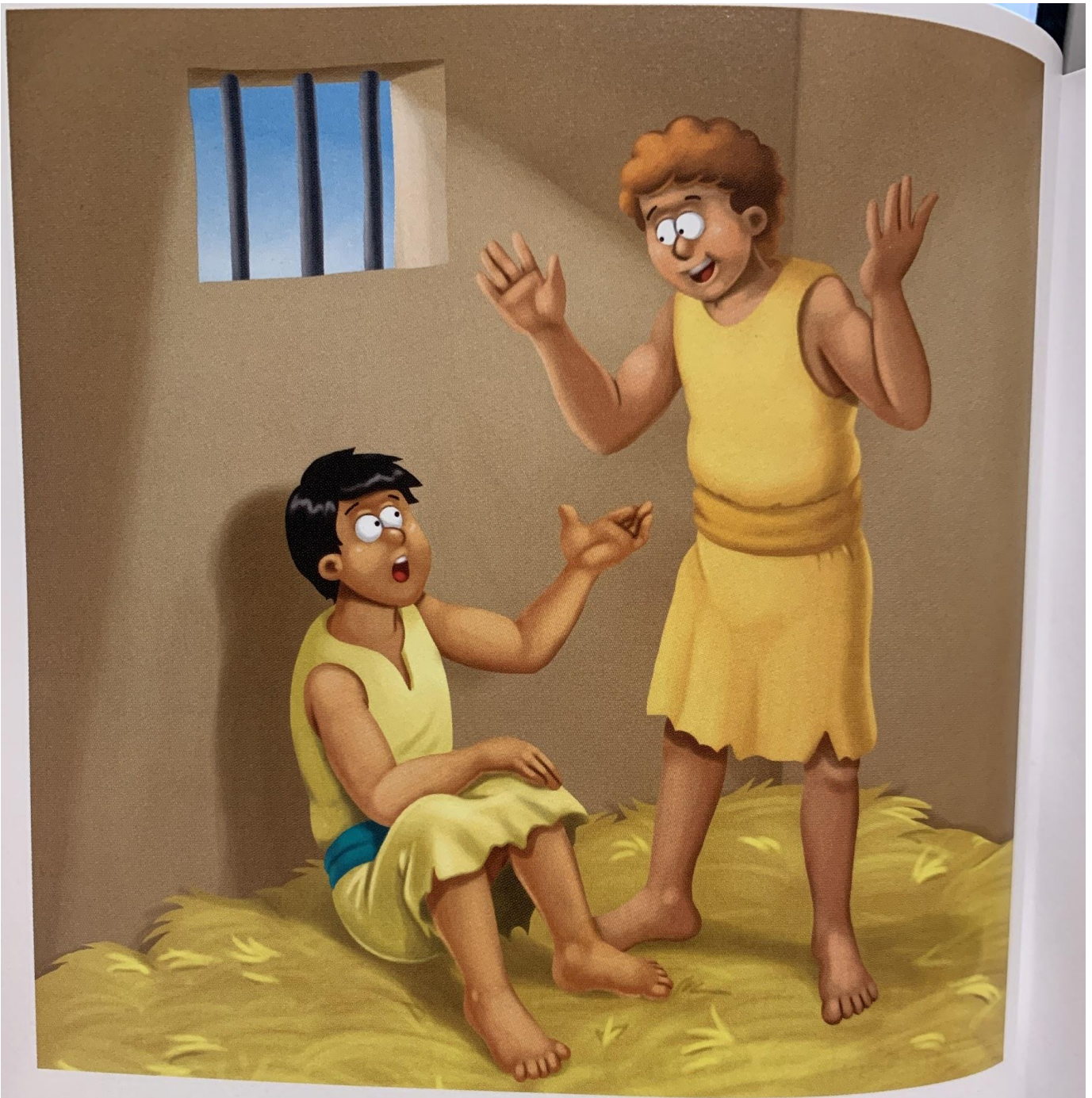
The traders took Joseph to Egypt.
He was thrown into jail.
But he did nothing wrong.
Joseph trusted God to help him.
He made friends with some
of the prisoners.

The Beginner's Bible #2



One of them had been
a wine taster for Pharaoh.
Pharaoh was the leader of Egypt.
The wine taster said, “Last night,
I had a dream. I was picking grapes and
squeezing them into Pharaoh’s cup.
Then I put the cup in his hand.
What does this mean, Joseph?”

The Beginner's Bible #3



Joseph answered, "You will be Pharaoh's wine taster again. Once you are free, please don't forget about me. Help me get out of jail too."

The Beginner's Bible #4



A few days later, the wine taster's dream came true.

He got out of jail and became Pharaoh's wine taster once again. But he forgot about Joseph.

BLOCK STATION

ACTIVITY

- Use the blocks to build a prison..

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Joseph's master placed him in prison. But while he was in prison, God still had a plan.
- God used Joseph to interpret the other prisoners' dreams.
- God gave Joseph a special gift and he gives special gifts to us too because He loves us and has a purpose for our lives.

DRAMA STATION

ACTIVITY: ACT IT OUT

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What happened to Joseph?
- What did he do in prison?
- Did his interpretations of the dreams come true?
- How did God use Joseph in prison?

KEY POINTS

- God had a plan for Joseph's life. Even though sometimes things seemed to all be going wrong, God gave Joseph a special gift to interpret dreams.
- God gives us special gifts too. We can pray that God would help us use our gifts well because we love God and trust Him!

PLAYDOH STATION

ACTIVITY:

- Create prisoners sleeping and Joseph interpreting their dreams.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Where was Joseph? What did he do in prison?
- Who helped Joseph be able to interpret the dreams?

COLORING STATION

ACTIVITY:

- Pass out the coloring pages and crayons
- Children may color the picture of the story.
- As you color, engage in conversation with them about how God always has a good plan and we can trust him.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What is today's main point?
- What special gifts has God given you?
- How can you use the gifts God has given you?

KEY POINTS

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Finding Purpose in Your Life

Main Point: God gives me special gifts for the good of His plan

Bible Story: Joseph Interprets Prisoners' Dreams

Genesis 39:20, 40



Joseph's Slavery @ Jail

May Memory Verse:

"I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."- Jeremiah 29:11

Finding Purpose in Your Life

GOD GIVES ME SPECIAL GIFTS FOR THE GOOD OF HIS PLAN

JOSEPH INTERPRETS TWO PRISONERS DREAMS | GENESIS 39:20, GENESIS 40

ACTIVITY

Children will share some of their gifts, and draw pictures showing them in action.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this activity is to help children recognize the gifts God has given them, and how they can be used.

MATERIALS

Crayons, colored pencils, white paper (for drawing)

DESCRIPTION

The children will brainstorm and discuss various gifts God gives to His children. Then they will choose one of their gifts and draw a picture of them using their gift.

INTRODUCE THE ACTIVITY

- Gather the children together in a circle and briefly recall today's story: "We learned about Joseph, and how God used him while he was in prison. God gave him the gift of interpreting dreams, and he used that gift in prison. God gives His disciples gifts so that we can help one another, and build His kingdom.
- Brainstorm some gifts that the children have: "I want you to think about your life. What are some things you are good at doing that help people?" Let as many children share as possible. Here are some examples to help spur on their thinking:
 - I'm good at...
 - Welcoming people to kids church, school, or my house
 - Sharing toys, food, snacks, etc. with others (generous)
 - Saying nice/encouraging things to people
 - Helping others do chores, tasks, etc., Helping people in need
- Once the majority of the kids have shared a gift, gather the paper and coloring utensils. Ask the children to think about a specific situation or way they can use their gift. Then, let me draw them using their gift.
- As they are drawing, remind them that God gives us gifts for a reason, and wants us to use them.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY

- How do you feel when you get to use the gift God gave you? (emphasize feeling joyful, humble, happy to help God)
- What is something you can do this week at home or at school to use your gift?

SUMMARY

- God gives us gifts, and these gifts are used in the plan He has for our lives! We can use our gifts to bring honor and glory to God. We want to bring honor and glory to God because He loves us and sent His Son Jesus to save us.

PRAY

Bible Station