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# THE STORY OF JOSEPH

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# THE STORY OF JOSEPH



Hello \_\_\_\_\_.

Print your name.

In this LIFEPAC<sup>®</sup>, you will learn about Joseph. His father and mother were Jacob and Rachel. Our story begins when Joseph was a young boy. At that time, he had ten older brothers. He had one older sister. He also had one younger brother.



You can find Joseph's story in the book of Genesis in the Bible. Chapter 30 tells about his birth. The rest of Joseph's story is in chapters 37 through 50.

Joseph's life was exciting! First, he was a shepherd as a young boy, like David. Unlike David, Joseph became a slave. At one point, he was in prison. However, he later became a great ruler!

Joseph loved God. He learned to trust God to always be with him. God helped him to do the right thing, even when people were unfair to him. You will learn many lessons about God as you study the story of Joseph!

## Objectives

**Read these objectives.** They will tell what you will be able to do when you have finished this LIFEPAK®.

1. Describe the home life of Joseph as a boy.
2. Tell about the work and worship of Joseph's family when Joseph was a boy.
3. Tell what Joseph's brothers did to him near his home.
4. Tell what happened to Joseph in Egypt.
5. Using Joseph as an example, explain how God can make all things turn out for good.

## New Words

These words will appear in **boldface** (darker print) the first time they are used.

**altar** (al tar). A special place used to worship God.

**ancestor** (an ces tor). A family relative who lived a long time ago.

**archaeologist** (ar chae ol' o gist). One who studies past human life.

**bargain** (bar gen). Something bought or sold that can be bought at a price that is good for the buyer.

**camel** (cam el). A large animal with a long neck and one or two humps on its back.

**carpenter** (car pen ter). One who makes and fixes wooden objects.

**disturbed** (dis turbed). To be upset or worried.

**donkey** (don key). An animal like a horse but smaller.

**famine** (fam ine). An extreme lack of food.

**jealous** (jeal ous). To be angry at something unfair.

**mason** (ma son). One who works with stone.

**mill**. Two flat stones used to grind seeds.

**mourn**. To show grief or sadness for a death by signs, such as the wearing of black clothes; to cry in a low, sad, moaning sound.

**oxen** (ox en). Cattle that work.

**Pharaoh** (phar aoh). A king in ancient Egypt.

**plenty** (plen ty). More than enough.

**potter** (pot ter). One who makes pots, dishes, etc. out of baked clay by hand.

**provide** (pro vide). To supply something useful.

**sacrifice** (sac ri fice). To make an offering of something valuable.

**sheaves.** Stalks of cut grain that have been bound together.

**stylus** (sty lus). A sharp pointed instrument used for writing.

**tanner** (tan ner). One who tans animal hides into leather.

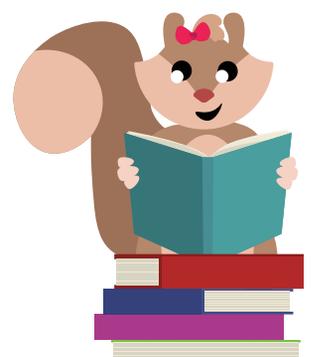
**trade.** A job that needs special skill, especially with one's hands.

**trader** (trad er). One who buys and sells things.

**warden** (war den). One who is in charge of a place and the people in it.

**wise.** To know much about something.

**worship** (wor ship). To pray to God and praise Him.

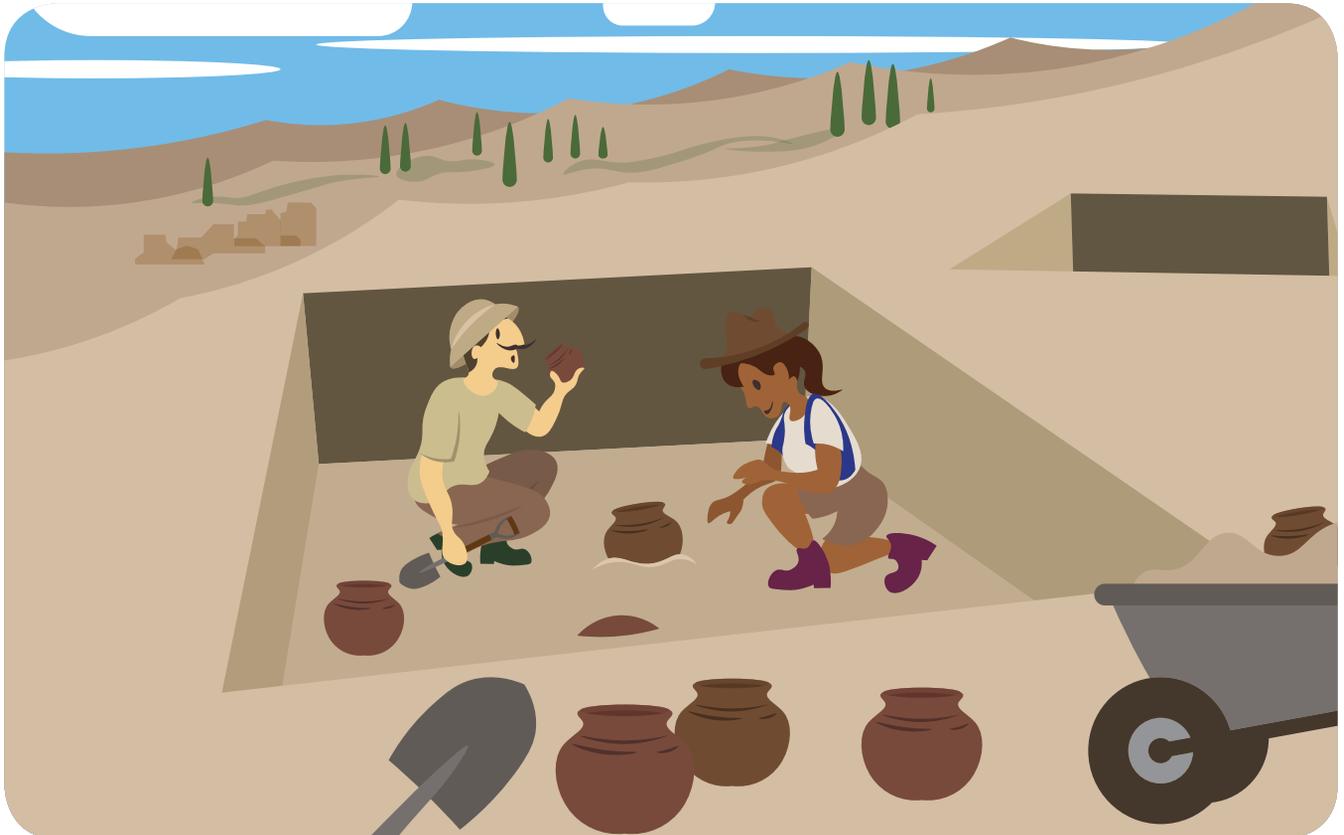


# 1. JOSEPH AS A BOY

In Section 1 of this LIFE PAC, you will learn about life in Bible times. The Bible does not talk about Joseph's boyhood years. You can find the story of his birth in Genesis 30. Joseph's story continues in Genesis 37. By that time, Joseph was 17 years old!

In this section, you will learn about life as it would have been for Joseph as a young boy. Joseph lived many, many years before Jesus was born. How can we know today how people used to live so many years ago?

**Archaeologists** study the lives of people who lived long ago. They dig things up. By what they find, they can understand how people used to live. Let's find out about life in Joseph's time.



| Archaeology can tell us about life in Joseph's time.



## Words to Study

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# Special Words

Genesis Joseph Jacob Rachel

Ask your teacher to say these words with you.



Teacher Check \_\_\_\_\_

Initial

Date



Circle the correct answer.

**1.1** Joseph's father and mother were \_\_\_\_\_ .  
a. Bob and Sue  
b. Jacob and Rachel  
c. Abraham and Sarah

**1.2** Joseph had \_\_\_\_\_ older brother(s).  
a. one                      b. five                      c. ten

**1.3** Joseph had \_\_\_\_\_ younger brother(s).  
a. two                      b. one                      c. three

**1.4** Joseph's story is written in the book of \_\_\_\_\_ in the Bible.  
a. Genesis                      b. Acts                      c. Judges

**1.5** \_\_\_\_\_ study the lives of people who lived long ago.

- a. Pilots      b. Firemen      c. Archaeologists

## Home Life

Jacob and his family lived in a large tent. They may have made this tent from goat skins. They took care of sheep and goats. They probably also had **camels, donkeys, cows, and oxen**. Because it was so hot and dry, they had to move around. They had to look for fresh grass and water for their animals. They needed fresh water, too.



| Joseph's family lived in tents and had many animals.

Camels are strong. They could carry heavy bags for long distances. The bags held the tents and other things. The camels also gave them milk to drink.

Donkeys could carry baskets of bread or fruit. Cows gave them milk and meat to eat. The oxen worked in the fields where Jacob and his family planted crops of grain.



**Work this puzzle.**

**1.6**

Look for these animal names in the puzzle. When you find the animal name, put a circle around it. The first one is done for you.

- |                |               |             |              |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>animals</b> | <b>cow</b>    | <b>goat</b> | <b>sheep</b> |
| <b>camel</b>   | <b>donkey</b> | <b>oxen</b> |              |

R	S	Q	P	M	N	O	C	A	B	L	Y
D	B	S	Z	V	L	M	O	D	R	S	D
T	U	H	X	N	B	A	W	R	D	W	O
Z	O	E	P	Q	V	Y	D	L	M	D	N
H	E	E	U	S	R	O	N	P	K	L	K
C	A	P	H	D	O	X	E	N	G	S	E
B	R	N	U	S	D	F	G	R	O	Z	Y
C	A	M	E	L	I	L	A	P	A	U	X
L	C	D	P	H	R	Z	D	M	T	O	B
T	V	Z	L	O	A	N	I	M	A	L	S

The family tents were set up in a circle. Each tent had two or three rooms. One room was for the men. One room was for the women. Sometimes, they used a third room for the animals!

People sat and slept on mats in the tent. They put hooks on the tent poles. They hung baskets and clothes on the hooks.

They used curtains to divide the rooms in the tents. They also had curtains rolled up on the sides of the tents. When it was cold, they could put them down to help keep the tent warm.



**Try this. Draw and color a picture of Joseph's family.**





Write the correct word on the line. Use the words below.

hooks

mats

Curtains

- 1.7 People sat and slept on \_\_\_\_\_ in the tent.
- 1.8 They hung baskets and clothes on the \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 1.9 \_\_\_\_\_ were used to divide the rooms in the tents.



What kind of food do you think Joseph ate? Mostly, he probably ate bread, olives, milk, some fruit, and meat. Joseph's family could not go to a store to buy their food. With God's help, they had to **provide** their own food.

They grew different kinds of grain in the fields. Then, they had to grind the grain into flour in a **mill**. After that, they mixed the flour with milk or water and made it into bread. They baked the bread in small mud brick ovens or on hot stones. They used grass, sticks, and other things to heat the oven.

Water came from a well. A well is a deep hole in the ground filled with water. They used a stone to cover the top of the well. This helped to keep the water clean and cool.

Meat came from the animals. Beans grew in the fields. They cooked meat and beans in clay pots over an open fire.

# SELF TEST 1

Each answer = 1 point

Circle **Yes** or **No**.

**1.01** Joseph's story is found in the book of Genesis in the Bible.

Yes                      No

**1.02** An archaeologist is one who studies plants.

Yes                      No

**1.03** Joseph and his family lived in a stone house.

Yes                      No

**1.04** Joseph's family ate pizza and drank soda pop.

Yes                      No

**1.05** At mealtimes, the men ate first.

Yes                      No

Write the correct word on the blank. Use the choices in the box.

oxen

oil

gas

mats

Ancestors

altar

cots

- 1.06** Joseph's family used \_\_\_\_\_ lamps to see at night.
- 1.07** \_\_\_\_\_ are family relatives who lived in the past.
- 1.08** The people sat and slept on \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1.09** Farmers used \_\_\_\_\_ to help with field work.
- 1.010** A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ is a special place to pray to God.

Write the words in the blanks to finish John 3:16.

- 1.011** For God so \_\_\_\_\_ the world that He \_\_\_\_\_ His only begotten \_\_\_\_\_, that whosoever believeth in \_\_\_\_\_ should not perish but have everlasting \_\_\_\_\_.

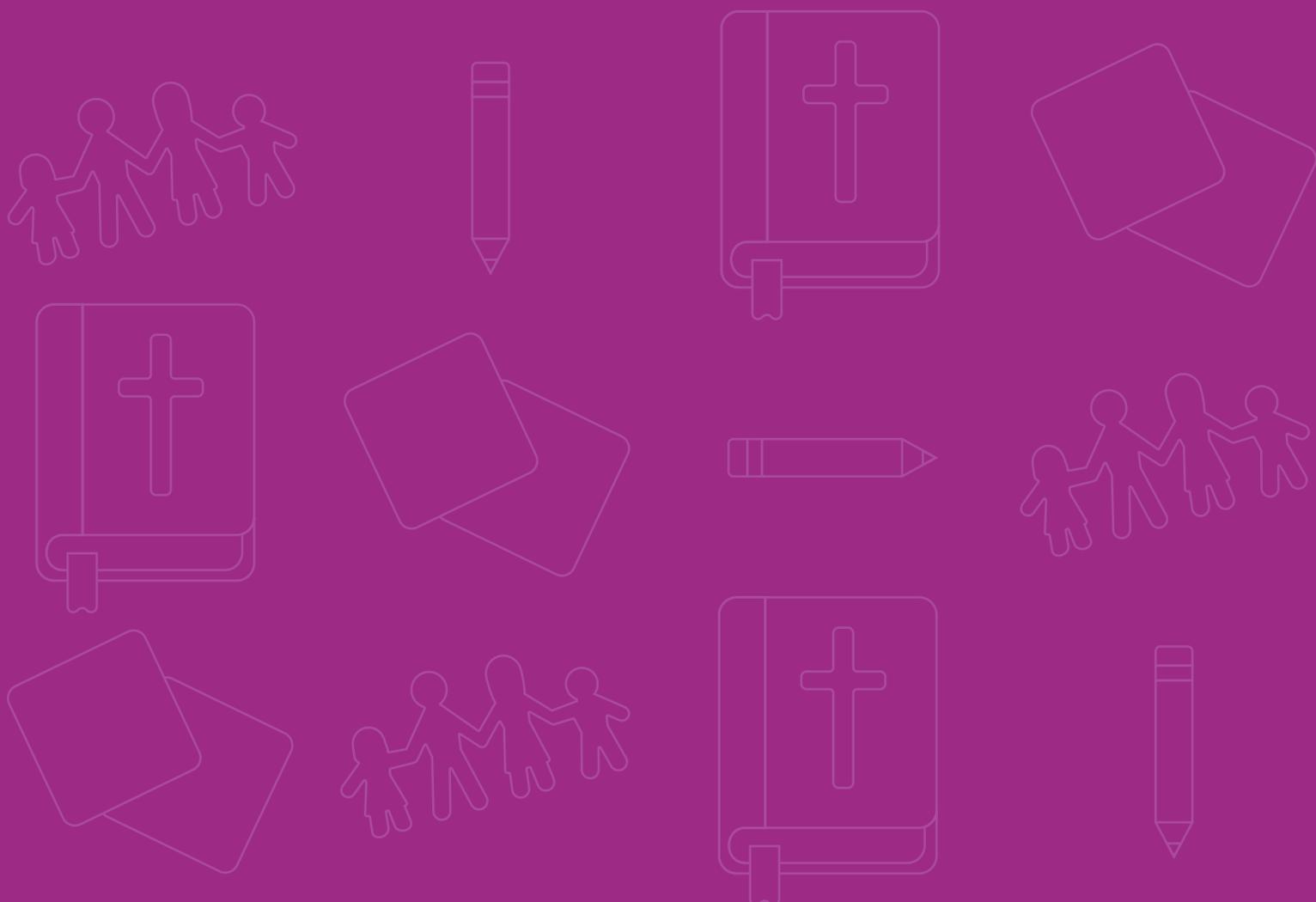


Teacher Check

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