

READ IT

This week's Bible story is **Joseph Feeds His Family**

Epiphany 7



from Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Our families are important to God.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Joseph
- Dreams
- Family
- Famine
- Egypt

God gave Joseph dreams that helped Joseph know to prepare for a famine in Egypt.

People came to Egypt from all over for food, including Joseph's family! Joseph helped his family by giving them food and and forgiving them.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 60-65

Spark Bible page 52

Family Prayer

Dear God, thank you our family. Help us to love and help each other. Amen.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1** Who is in our family? Who lives nearby? Who lives far away?
- 2** What do we do together as a family?
- 3** Where do we like to travel together? Where would you like to travel to next?
- 4** How do we ask each other for help? How do we help each other?



Eye Spark

This week, watch for families. How are they different from yours? How are they the same? Keep track in a notebook of the different kinds of families you see.



Ear Spark

When you hear someone in your family ask for help, go to them and offer to help. If the task is too difficult for you, find another member of your family who can help. That's helping too!

LIVE IT

For families to do together

Plan a Family Day. Have each member of your family choose one special thing to do. It can be an outdoor activity, playing a game, reading books together, finding something to eat, cooking, or visiting friends or extended family members nearby. Joseph provided food for his hungry family, so try to include at least one food-related activity. Plan your day together and have fun.

For younger kids

Make a list for your Family Day. As you go from one activity to the next, check off what you've done and announce what's next.

For older kids

Help plan the day. Where should you go first? Next? Why? Plan the route you'll take. If research needs to be done in advance such as hours of operation, fees, etc., look up website online (with permission), and find the information to share with your family.

