

INVESTIGATING THE WORD

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

2020 – 2021

SEPTEMBER - AUGUST

SEPTEMBER 6, 2020 – LESSON 1 (NIV)

TITLE: “BIASED LOVE”

Devotional Reading: Psalm 103: 1-6, 18-22

Background Scripture: Genesis 25: 26; 35:23-26

LESSON TEXT: GENESIS 37: 2-11, 23 -24A, 28

LESSON OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION

- A. House vs. Home
- B. Lesson Context
- C. Lesson Context – James the Epistle
- I. A Family’s Discord (Genesis 37: 2-4)
 - A. Friction (v. 2)
 - B. Favoritism (v. 3)
 - C. Fury (v. 4)
- II. A Brother’s Dreams (Genesis 37: 5-11)
 - A. In the Fields (vv. 5-8)
 - B. In the Sky (vv. 9-11)
 - Dreaming of Grandeur*
- III. Brother’s Disdain (Genesis 37: 23-24a, 28)
 - A. Shaming Joseph (vv. 23 -24a)
 - B. Selling Joseph (v. 28)
 - Who Suffers from Favoritism?*

Conclusion

- A. Imperfect Family, Perfect God
- B. Prayer
- C. Thought to Remember

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 – LESSON 2 (NIV)

TITLE: “OBEDIENT LOVE”

Devotional Reading: 1 PETER 5; 5B - 11

Background Scripture: GENESIS 41: 14-57

LESSON TEXT: GENESIS 41: 25-33, 37-40, 50-52

LESSON OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION

- A. New Life, New God
- B. Lesson Context
- I. Disturbing Dreams (Genesis 41: 25-33)
 - A. Interpretation (vv. 25 -32)
 - Feast or Famine*
 - B. Advice (v. 33)
- II. Pharaoh’s Favor (Genesis 41: 37-40)
 - A. Praising Joseph (vv. 37-38)
 - B. Promoting Joseph (vv. 39-40)
- III. Foreign Family (Genesis 41: 50-52)
 - A. Sons Born (v. 50)
 - B. Sons Named (vv. 51-52)
 - From “Why” to “What’s Next”*

CONCLUSION

- A. Firm Faith on Strange Soul
- B. Prayer
- C. Thought to Remember

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 – LESSON 3 (NIV)

TITLE “VICTORIOUS LOVE”

DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalm 51

BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Genesis 42

LESSON TEXT: GENESIS 42: 6-25A

LESSON OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Surprise Encounters
- B. Lesson Context
- I. Doubt (Genesis 42: 6 -17)
 - A. Brothers’ Arrival (vv.6 – 8)
 - B. Joseph’s Accusation (vv. 9-14)
Trust, but Verify
 - C. Joseph’s Alternative (vv. 15 – 17)
- II. Decision (Genesis 42: 18-25a)
 - A. Joseph’s Requirement (vv. 18 – 20)
 - B. Brother’s Remorse (vv. 21 – 25)
 - C. Joseph’s Reaction (vv. 24 – 25a)
Big Boys Don’t Cry

CONCLUSION

- A. The Importance of Tears
- B. Prayer
- C. Thought to Remember

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020 – LESSON 4 (NIV)

TITLE: “REVEALED LOVE”

DEVOTIONAL READING: John 14: 1-14

BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Genesis 43: 45:1-15

LESSON TEXT: GENESIS 45: 1-8, 10-15

LESSON OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION

- A. “[Luke,] I am your. . .”
- B. Lesson Context
- I. Revealing Identity (Genesis 45: 1-8)
 - A. Privacy Demanded (vv. 1-2)
 - B. Truth Acknowledged (v.3)
 - C. Brothers Assured (vv. 4-8)
 - Dealing with a Guilty Conscience*
- II. Relaying Instructions (Genesis 45: 10-13)
 - A. To Come to Egypt (vv. 10-11)
 - B. To Confirm His Identity (v. 12)
 - C. To Convince His Father (v. 13)
 - “A Picture is Worth...”*
- III. Reaching Out in Love (Genesis 45: 14-15)
 - A. To Benjamin (v. 14)
 - B. To His Brothers (v. 15)

CONCLUSION

- A. Don’t Be Angry with Yourself
- B. Prayer
- C. Thought to Remember