

A Devotional About Where Our Story with God Begins

Read: Genesis 1:1 NIV



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God the Creator

In the beginning there was nothing—but God was there! God has always been around. God is so big and so creative! Go to the very beginning of the Bible. Genesis 1:1. What did God create? The _____ and the _____.

God created the heavens and the earth! And so much more, like tiny ants and giant elephants. God made every piece of sand and the giant ocean. God is so creative. God didn't make just one kind of flower but every flower and every kind of tree. God is so creative.

LOOK at all the things God created!

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God's Best Creation—You!

God created so many things. Go look in the mirror; what do you see? You see yourself! You are God's favorite part of creation!

After creating so many things, God created the first two people, Adam and Eve. This is a very important part of God's story! God made people more special than all His other creations. God made people in His image and God made people to know Him.

KNOW that God created you!

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God Made a Way

Adam and Eve chose to disobey God, this hurt God's heart, and put sin in between us and God.

Have you ever sinned? We all have. There's no one who makes a good choice every single time with every single thing. Well, no one but Jesus.

That's why Jesus was able to break the power of sin by dying on the cross and coming back to life.

ASK God to show you if you have done anything that goes against His ways. And then ask Him to forgive you. He will always forgive you.

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God always has a plan

No matter what, good or bad, you can always go to God. God wants you to come to Him, and not hide from Him. God wants good things for you. He has good plans for you.

Dear God, I want to follow You every day. Thank You for always having a plan for me to know You. Amen."

**You can trust God
no matter what.**

Draw some things God created!

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Read: Psalm 28:7 NIV



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1

My Heart Trusts in Him

Did you know that the Bible teaches us that God gives us strength? In Psalm 28:7, it tells us that God is like a shield that keeps us safe and that we can trust Him.

Tape or glue the big heart and shield on to a paper or Styrofoam plate from the Activity Page and write how you trust God and how He keeps you safe!

LOOK to God when you're afraid.

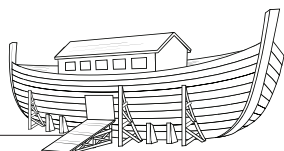
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Noah Trusted the Lord

Noah had a big project to work on. God told Noah to make a very BIG boat! It was a lot to do, Noah had never built an ark before. But Noah trusted God each day. Noah probably had days when the building didn't go so great. And some days when Noah got a lot done. But Noah never gave up, Noah continued to trust God.

Draw picture of Noah building the ark.



ASK an adult how they trusted God when something seemed big and scary.

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Trust when you don't understand

Noah probably didn't know how it would all turn out while he was on the boat. Thankfully, Noah and his family eventually stepped back onto dry land!

Do you ever have a hard time trusting God? Take those hard times and questions to God! You can even go to your family or someone at your church when you are having a hard time.

KNOW that you can trust God even when you don't understand.

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God gives me a heart that can trust Him

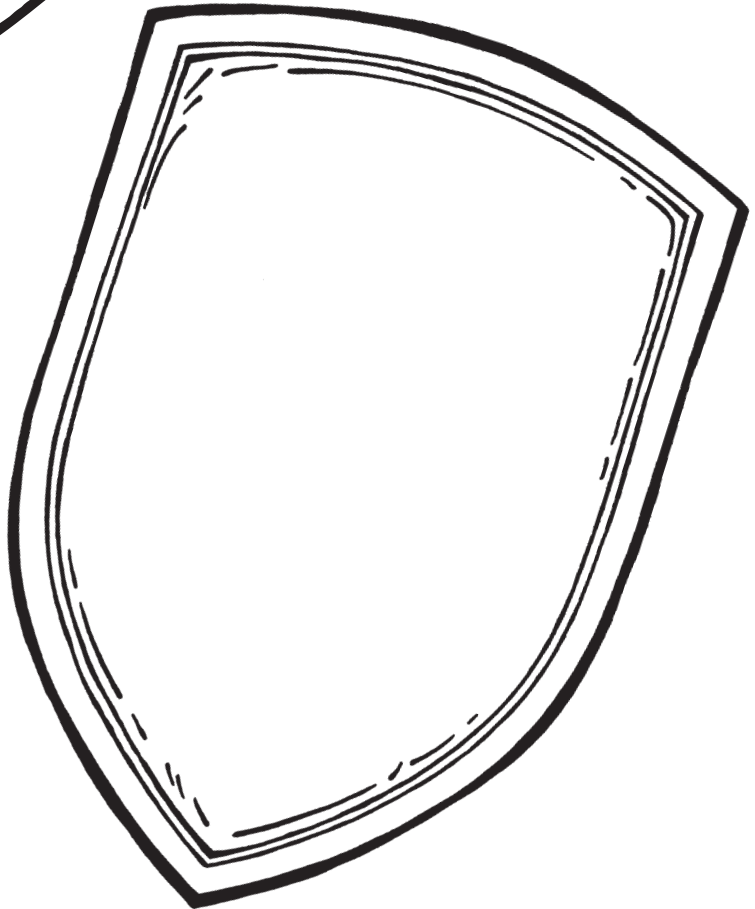
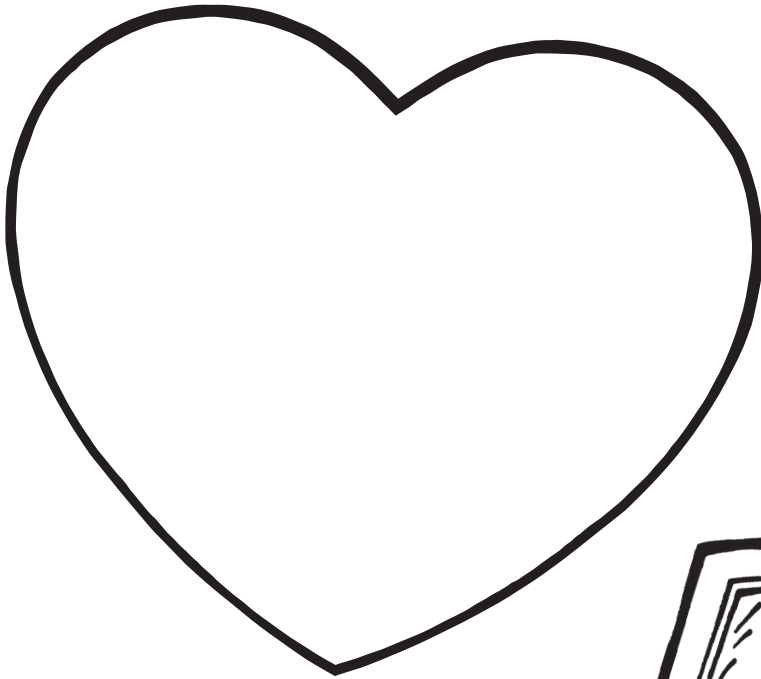
You can pray the prayer below or pray your own.

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 "Dear God, thank You for always being with me.  
 Help me trust You with my whole heart. Amen."  
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THANK You, God, for giving me a heart that can trust You.

You can trust God even when you don't understand.

**Write or draw in the heart and shield
about the things you trust God with and
how he keeps you safe!**



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Read: Hebrews 11:1 Nlrv



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You know it's there

Have you ever been outside on a really windy day? Maybe you've even flown a kite when it's windy.

Your hair blows, or you see trees swaying and leaves blowing around. But can you see the wind? No, you can't. You can only see what the wind does.

Faith in Jesus is a lot like that. We can't see Him, but we can see the things Jesus does and the things He has done. We can see the ways Jesus loves us, and the ways He helps people.

LOOK for ways you see people trusting in Jesus, or ways Jesus helps people.

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Hebrews 11:1 Nlrv

Practice learning the main memory verse for the month.

Faith is being sure (thumbs up)
of what we hope for (hands in prayer),
and certain of what we do not see (cover eyes).
Hebrews 11:1

KNOW that you can have faith in God even if you don't see Him with your eyes.

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Have Faith

Make a path in your living room with different pillows on the floor. Have someone close their eyes, and then you lead them or tell them where to step. Sometimes, we have to trust God to tell us where to go or what to do, just like you told someone where to go when they couldn't see.

ASK God to lead you every day.

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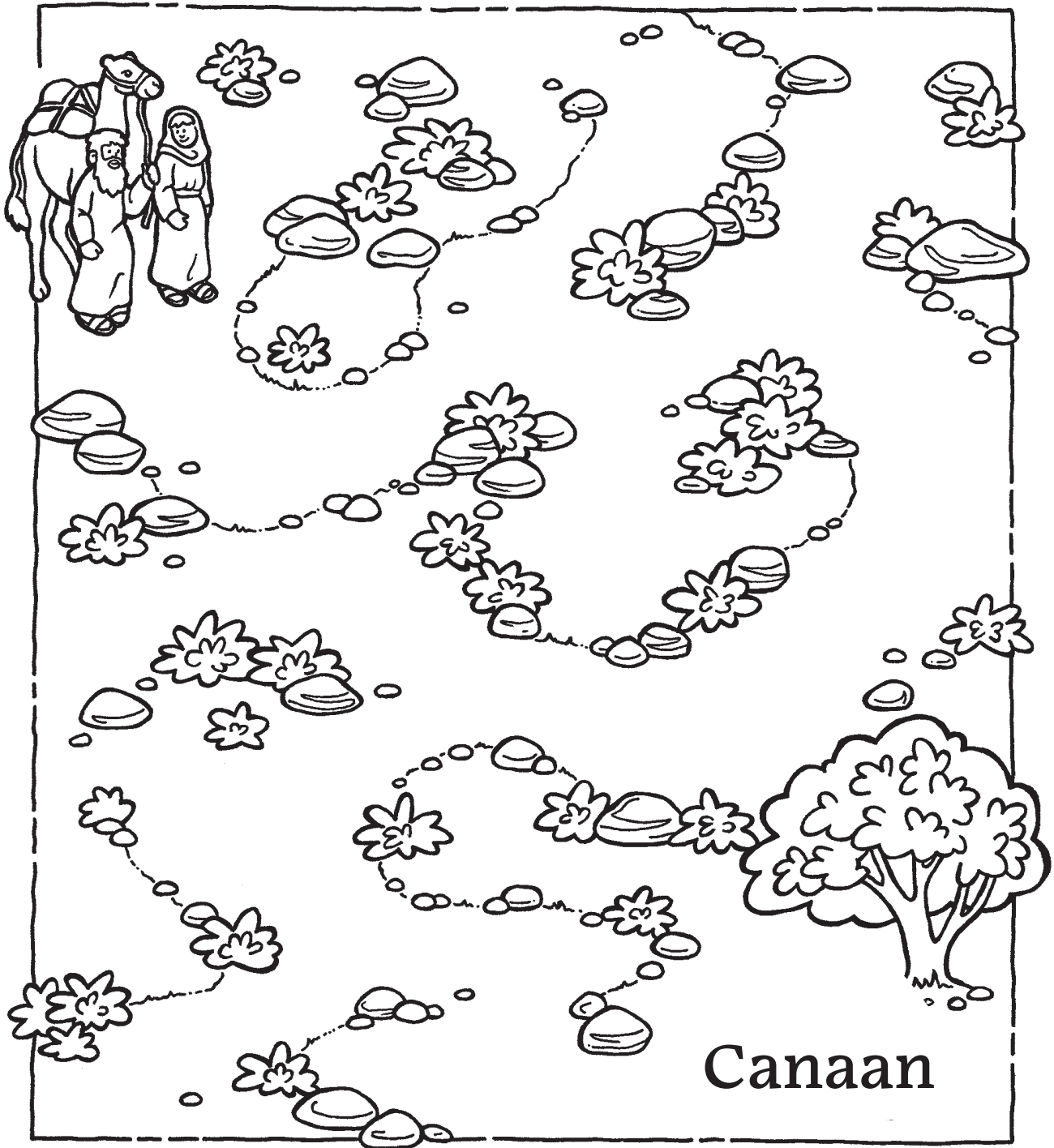
Trust that God has a plan

God always knows what is best and has the best plan for you. Trust Him today. Abraham didn't know how everything would turn out, but God led Him, and Abraham followed and obeyed God.

THANK God that He has a plan.

You can trust
that God has a plan.

**Abraham had a lot of faith, help
him get to the land of Canaan.**



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Read: Hebrews 13:8 NlrV



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1

Who do you trust?

In each rectangle on the activity page, draw people you trust!

Isn't it nice to have people you know you can trust?

We can also trust Jesus—ALWAYS! We can always go to Jesus no matter what!

LOOK at how Jesus has helped you in your life!

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3

Don't wait to trust God

What are some things you have been worried about? Or some things you have seen others worry about? Today, you can choose to trust God with those things! You can trust God with everything! Big or small, God can help you.

ASK God to help you with the things you are worried about.

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2

Hebrews 13:8 NlrV

Practice knowing this Scripture verse:

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday (point behind you) and today (point downward) and forever (point forward)
Hebrews 13:8

KNOW that Jesus doesn't change, you can have faith. in Him! them Jesus' love for them!

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God doesn't change

What are some things you see around you that change?

You get taller.

You go into the next grade at school.

The leaves change color.

Your friend might move to a different school.

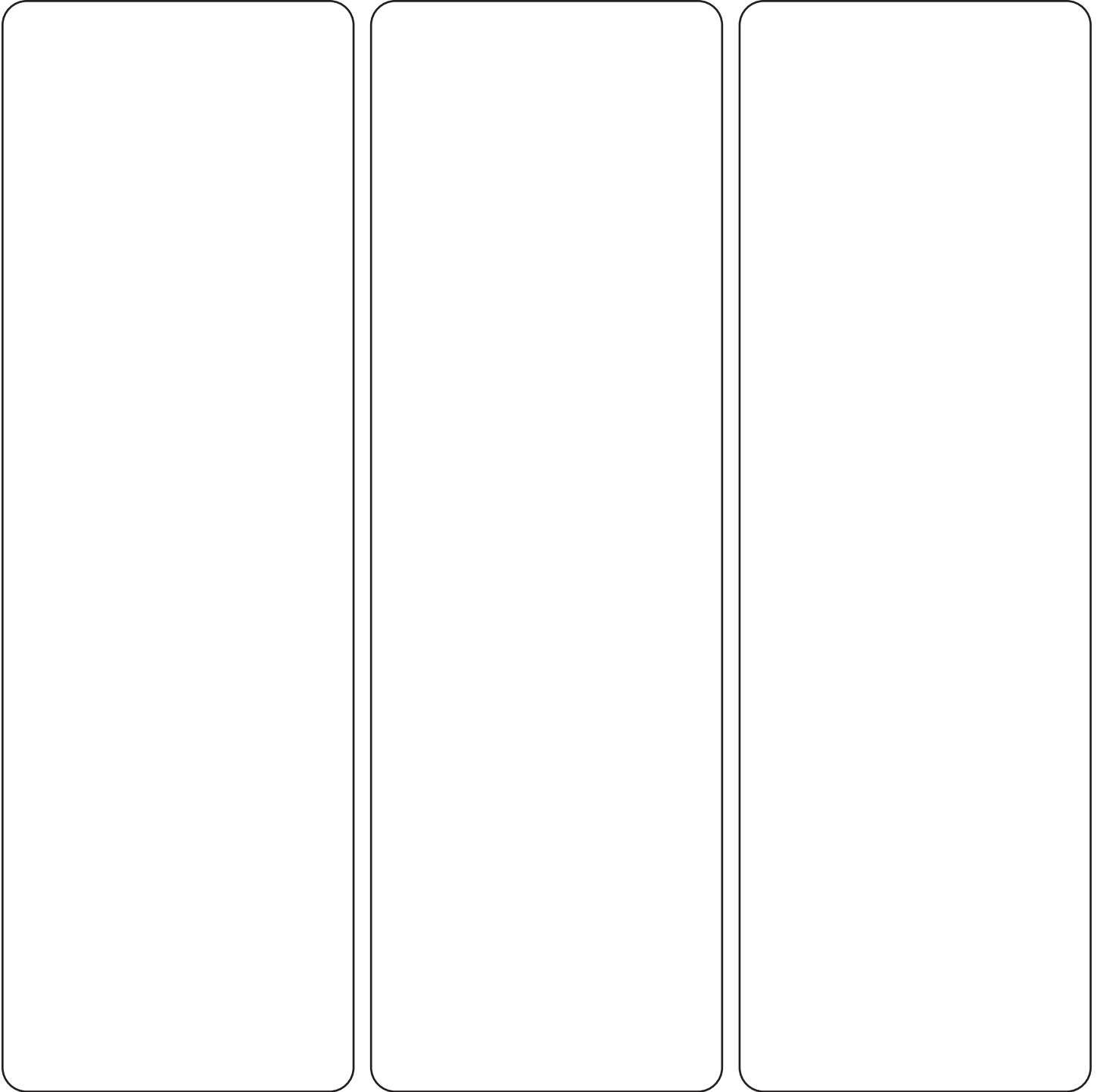
So many things change, but God doesn't change! He stays the same. Can you tell God how much you are thankful for Him!

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"Dear God, thank You so much that You stay the same. I'm so glad You stay the same and I can trust You. I love You, God. Amen."  
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THANK God that He stays the same.

You can trust that
God is with you.

**Draw the people who
you trust in the rectangles.**

Three empty, vertically oriented rounded rectangles are arranged side-by-side, intended for drawing people who the user trusts.

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Read: Psalm 46:1 NlrV



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Ups and Downs

On the activity page, color in Joseph's coat. Joseph had some really good times and some really hard times. Do you think God was with him in both of those times?

Circle YES or NO

God was with Joseph!

LOOK for ways God takes care of us when things are good and when things are hard.

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2

In the middle of a mess

Have you ever had to clean up a really messy room? It feels impossible, doesn't it? So, what do you do?

You pick up one thing that you know where it goes and put it away. Then you find another thing. You do what you know to do. And while the room might be messy for a while, eventually you start seeing patches of clean floor.

In Joseph's life, and even with us, sometimes life can get a little messy. And when things are confusing or disappointing, we do what we know we should do. We trust God with what we choose to do and what we say. And God will help us through it!

KNOW that God is with you even when things are messy—every step of the way. God will never leave you.

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3

Wait with God

Have you ever felt like something hard or sad would always be that way? Will you will always miss your friend who had to move? Will you will always feel bad about striking out at the baseball game last week?

Some things hurt really bad for a short time and then they get better. Some things take more time. Some things will always hurt.

But however long it takes, God is still with you. He is still taking care of you. God will always be with you.

ASK God to help you wait with Him when times get tough.

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4

God is with us

Have you heard Jesus referred to as "Immanuel"? It means "God with us." Isn't that amazing? The God who created everything can be with us every day. He was with Joseph, and God can be with you!

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"Dear God, thank You for always being with me. I love You. Amen."  
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THANK God that He is with you.

You can trust God when things get tough.

Color in Joseph's coat!

