

Pre-K

May 13, 2018

Bible Focus: I can trust God's plan even when it's hard.

Joseph in Jail • *Genesis 39–40*

Memory Verse: "The plans of the LORD stand firm forever." Psalm 33:11, NIV

Key Question: Who has a plan for you?

Bottom Line: God has a plan for me.

Basic Truth: God made me.

Make It True (Large Group, 15 minutes)

Historyteller Greets children at the door as music plays.

CG: Welcome Slide ("Who Knows Best")

Stop music once all classes are in and on a line.

Worship

What You Need: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Psalm 33:11."

HISTORYTELLER: "Good morning, everyone! It's so good to see you today. I can't wait to sing with you today. But first, tell me: **Who has a plan for you?**"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [*Bottom Line*] "God has a plan for me."

HISTORYTELLER: "Yes, that's right! Let's sing our awesome new song all about how God has a plan for each and every one of us!

SFX: "Plan for Me"

"Yay! What incredible singers you are. **Who has a plan for you?**"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [*Bottom Line*] "God has a plan for me."

HISTORYTELLER: "That's right! [*Bottom Line*] **God has a plan for me.** Our memory verse tells us just that. God has a plan, and it's a firm one. That means it's a good one,

and it's a strong one. Let's practice it. Are you ready to do it with me? *(Pause.) Let's do it!*

CG: Memory Verse Slide

The plans (hold up fingers 1, 2, 3) of the Lord (both hands point up) stand firm forever (stomp feet w/hands on hips), Psalm 33:11. (Hold out hands like a book.) Let's do it again."

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: *"The plans (hold up fingers 1, 2, 3) of the Lord (both hands point up) stand firm forever (stomp feet w/hands on hips), Psalm 33:11." (Hold out hands like a book.) (Repeat several times.)*

HISTORYTELLER: "Way to go! God has a plan for us, and He will take care of us. He'll take care of us in the morning and at night. Hey, let's sing about that!"

SFX: "Take Care of Me"

"I love singing about our God who made us and loves us. Yes, God made you, and He has a plan for you. **Who has a plan for you?**"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: *[Bottom Line] "God has a plan for me."*

HISTORYTELLER: "Yes He does! You know, I think I saw Harper heading into the Clubhouse with another canvas. I wonder what Mr. Magenta, the art teacher, has in store to be painted today. Let's have a seat and see."

Introductory Sketch

CG: Intro Sketch Video

Bible History Lesson

What You Need: Bible, "Joseph without Coat," "Potiphar," and "Joseph in Jail" Activity Pages; "Joseph with Coat" and "11 Brothers" (from Week 1); 14x14-inch magnetic whiteboard; easel; and card table

Activity pages will be prepared with magnets on the back for ease of use on the whiteboard.

HISTORYTELLER: "Hi, friends! It's great to see you again! My name is [Historyteller's name], and I have another part of Joseph's true-life story to tell you. It's found right here in this book. Tell me, what is the name of this book?"

(Hold up the Bible.)

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: “The Bible!”

HISTORYTELLER: “You got it! This is the Bible and this is Joseph.

(Open the Bible and lay it aside. Stick “Joseph with Coat” Activity Page in the middle of the whiteboard.)

CG: Joseph with Coat

“Remember Joseph? His dad made him a special coat and he had a lot of brothers—eleven, to be exact. Count them with me as I put them on our board.”

CG: 11 Brothers

(Stick the “11 Brothers” next to “Joseph with Coat” on the whiteboard. Count out loud as you point to them.)

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: “1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11!”

STORYTELLER: “That’s a lot of brothers! Were Joseph’s brothers happy or mad that their dad gave Joseph a special coat?”

(Pause for response.)

“Yes, they were mad. His big brothers were so mad that they threw Joseph in a hole and sold him to strangers.

(Take down the “Joseph with Coat” picture.)

“Then the strangers took Joseph away to a faraway place called Egypt. That’s when we say, ‘Oh, no, Joe!’ Say that with me.”

CG: ‘Oh, no, Joe!’ Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: “Oh, no, Joe!”

(Take down all of the brothers and stick “Joseph without Coat” to the whiteboard.)

CG: Joseph without Coat

“Even though Joseph was sad and alone, He trusted that God had a plan and that God’s masterpiece—His work of art—wasn’t finished yet.

“When Joseph got to Egypt, a powerful man named Potiphar gave him a job.

(Stick the “Potiphar” Activity Page beside “Joseph without Coat.”)

CG: Potiphar

“Joseph did everything Potiphar told him to do. If Potiphar said to clean the floors, Joseph cleaned the floors. If Potiphar said to bring him lunch, Joseph brought him lunch. If Potiphar said to juggle seahorses . . . well, maybe not juggle seahorses (*laugh*), but if Joseph could juggle seahorses for Potiphar he probably would have! God blessed Joseph, and Potiphar thought Joseph was a great guy.

“But then something terrible happened.

(Take down the “Potiphar” and “Joseph without Coat” Activity Pages and stick the “Joseph in Jail” Activity Page on the whiteboard.)

CG: Joseph in Jail

“Joseph was put in jail for something he didn’t even do. Everyone say, ‘Oh, no, Joe!’”

CG: ‘Oh, no, Joe!’ Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: “Oh, no, Joe!”

HISTORYTELLER: “If I were Joseph, I think I would be so mad! But instead, Joseph trusted that God had a plan. Joseph was a good friend to the people in jail with him and did the best he could while he was there. The guy in charge of the jail liked Joseph so much he put Joseph in charge of the other guys in jail with him!

“No matter where he was, Joseph trusted that God had a plan for him. And the best part is that Joseph’s life story wasn’t finished yet. It might not look like much of a masterpiece right now with him being in jail, but just wait and see what happens in Joseph’s story. Joseph trusted that God had a plan, even when it was hard. There are more pieces to this work of art!

“I want us all to remember that when things don’t go our way, or when we’re sad or mad, God still has a plan no matter how hard it gets! **Who has a plan for you?**”

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and STORYTELER: [*Bottom Line*] “God has a plan for me!”

HISTORYTELLER: “Louder! **Who has a plan for you?**”

CHILDREN and STORYTELER: [Bottom Line] “God has a plan for me!”

HISTORYTELLER: “He sure does! And when we trust God’s plan, He can turn our lives into a work of art. That’s the truth, friends. You better believe it! I hope Harper is feeling a little better about her canvas and the paint that she spilled. I say we take a look.”

Exit Sketch**CG: Exit Sketch Video****Offering and Prayer**

Music Plays as the offering container is passed around

SFX: Revelation Song”

Bring volume down to signify prayer time.

HISTORYTELLER: “Ooh, I love purple too. I can’t wait to see how Harper’s piece of the masterpiece turns out.”

“Now it’s time to close our eyes and put our hands in our lap so we can talk to God.”

“Dear God, there will be times in our lives when bad things will happen that we won’t understand, just like with Joseph. I pray we will trust You have a plan for us during those times and keep being a good friend to everyone around us. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.”

Dismiss

“Well, that’s it for today. Have fun and I’ll see you next time. Bye!”

Start Music as children exit. Historyteller stands at the door as children exit.

CG: Farewell Slide (“Who Knows Best”)