### PARENT CORNER weekly

#### **TODAY: OCTOBER 12-13**

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Bible Story: Joseph Forgives His Brothers Genesis 41–45

Big Idea: God is faithful

Focus: God is faithful and will work things out for good.

Memory Verse: The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease Great is His faithfulness; His mercies begin afresh each morning" Lamentations 3:22-23 (NLT).

#### **Bible Story Summary:**

#### Read and meditate on Genesis 41-45.

Faithful is a word that the Bible often uses to tell us who God is. That is why our Big Idea this month is GOD IS FAITHFUL. Faithful means trustworthy. God has been faithful throughout history and has helped people get through and overcome incredible difficulties.

This week we are continuing to see how faithful God was in the life of Joseph. Last week we saw how Joseph had some hard things in his life, like being sold as a slave by his brothers and put in prison for something he didn't do. This week we are going to see how God brought all of these circumstances together to bring work all of this out for good. God promises to do that for those who love Him. God is faithful and will work things out for good!

#### He Question: Is God faithful?

God is ALWAYS faithful. Deut. 7:9 says He is "The faithful God". At least 36 times in the Bible, God called faithful.

#### We Question: Can we really trust God no matter what?

God's faithfulness means He is true to His Word and dependable. We really can trust God no matter what.

#### Me Question: What does this mean for my life?

God is faithful to work things out for good for those who love Him.

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Before going to bed, write a note that says "God will work things out for good!" Now, tape the note somewhere you will see it in the morning, like on the bathroom mirror or the fridge. This will be a reminder for the whole family that when we go through hard things, God will use it in our lives for good.



God



**READ** "In their hearts human beings plan their lives. But the Lord decides where their steps will take them." Proverbs 16:9

When you're in the middle of a tough situation, there is a real comfort in knowing God is always there. Because of Jesus, you can talk to God right now, and know that He will work things out for good.

What is something hard you are going through right now? Write it on the line.

These are three things that you can do to remain strong. Commit to doing one of these this week. Circle the one you are going to do.

> Pray Say this month's verse Listen to a worship song

Pray and ask God to help you work this hard thing out for your good.

**KNOW** that you can have faith that God will work things out for good



**READ** "In their hearts, human beings plan their lives. But the Lord decides where their steps will take them." Proverbs 16:9

Read Proverbs 16:9 several times. What is something you would like to do in your life? Maybe it's: play a sport, play an instrument, go on a trip, or be an astronaut. With the help of a parent, write down what you would like to do on the line below.

This verse tells us that we can make plans but they don't always work out. But the Lord knows EVERYTHING that will happen. He wants to guide your life, and He wants to work everything out for good.



**READ** "The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is His faithfulness; His mercies begin afresh each morning" Lamentations 3:22-23 (NLT)

This is the memory verse for the month of October! This month we are learning about how **God is always faithful.** We are learning how God has always been faithful, and He will continue to always be faithful.

Think of some creative way to practice this memory verse. You could type it on the computer in a cool font, write it out using a lot of colors, put the verse to the tune of a song, or write it on your driveway with chalk.

Memorizing Bible verses can be fun, but they also will help you remember that God is always faithful.

**PRACTICE** the memory verse as a reminder that God is faithful

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**READ** "But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever. What he wants to do will last for all time." Psalm 33:11

God had a good plan all along...God's own Son, Jesus came to live, die, and come back to life to defeat death and make all things new again!

This verse tells us that God has a plan—a plan to work all things out for good. You can trust God's plan for your life too! God loves you and will give you what you need to keep going.

Talk to God about the plans you have and the hard things you're facing. Pray for Him to help you change the struggles you're facing into something good.

"Dear God, I know you are faithful. I know you have plans to work all things out for good. Please show me the things that You want me to do and the places You want me to go. God, show me the best things for me and help me get there. In Jesus' name, Amen"

**PRAY** that God will show you His faithfulness

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