# PARENT CORNER TODAY: OCTOBER 5-6 Weekly

Bible Story: Joseph Sold by Brothers and Joseph in Jail Genesis 37, 39-40

Big Idea: God is faithful

**Focus:** You can have faith that God is always with you.

Memory Verse: "The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease." *Lamentations 3:22 (NLT)* 

### **Bible Story Summary:**

Read and meditate on Genesis 37, 39-40

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 month we are going to take a closer look at the lives of Joseph and Moses. Both of these men trusted God through hard circumstances and experienced just how faithful God is.

In Genesis 37, we see that Joseph was Jacob's favorite son, and his brothers were completely jealous of him, so they sold him to traders headed to Egypt. But even though Joseph was enslaved in Egypt, God was with him. God gave him success —both in Potiphar's house, and even in prison after he was falsely accused. God was with Joseph every moment of his life and **you can trust God is always with you.** 

He Question: Is God faithful?

God is ALWAYS faithful. Deuteronomy 7:9 says He is "The faithful God". At least 36 times in the Bible. God is 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's faithfulness assures us that He is always with us.





While at a meal, have everyone participate in this challenge. Using the opposite hand than normal, try using your utensils and eating your food. It was probably a bit harder than you thought! While this is a fun challenge, it also is a good reminder of faithfulness. Even though we might not understand why something is hard (like using your fork with your opposite hand), we can trust that God is always with us and ask Him for strength to get through it.





DAY 1

**READ** "Here is what I am commanding you to do. Be strong and brave. Do not be afraid. Do not lose hope. I am the Lord your God. I will be with you everywhere you go." Joshua 1:9

This month is all about being faithful— refusing to give up when life gets hard. We'll see how Joseph and Moses were faithful when they were faced with some tough and sometimes scary situations.

And guess what? Being faithful isn't just something we see in the Bible. You can be faithful too because God is with you! God is big and strong and always on your side when you are standing up for what is right. God will give you what you need to be faithful.

There's a message hidden among all these letters below. With the help of a parent, start by crossing out the second letter. Then cross off every other letter. Write the remaining letters in the spaces below to reveal if.

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KNOW that you can have faith that God is always with you

DAY 2

**READ** "So do not be afraid. I am with you. Do not be terrified. I am your God. I will make you strong and help you. I will hold you safe in my hands. I always do what is right." Isaiah 41:10

Think about a few things that you had to do lately that have been hard. Maybe it was learning a new skill for a sport, standing up for a friend at school, or moving to a new house? Write the three hard things on the lines below.

When finished, think back to those hard moments and look at how far you have come! This verse says that with God we don't need to be afraid of hard things because God is always with us everywhere we go. On the line below, write: "God is always with me" to remind you that you can be faithful, even with the hard things, because God is always with you.

**THANK** God for always being with you.

# DAY (3)

**READ** "The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease." 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.

Split up this memory verse into 7 parts and assign each part an exercise or movement to go with it. For example, "The faithful love," could be jumping jacks. Then, as you practice the verse, do those exercises that go with it! Have a parent help you write your chosen exercises beside the verse parts below:

"The faithful love"	
"of the Lord never ends"	
"His mercies never cease."	
"His mercies begin	
"afresh every morning."	
"Lamentations 3:22-23"	

PRACTICE the memory verse as a reminder that God is faithful

## **HEY PARENTS** SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

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**READ** "The Lord watches over you. He is like a shade tree at your right hand." Psalm 121:5

Is it sunny outside where you are? If so, head out to stand in the sunshine and find your shadow. Did you find it?

Okay, now try to outrun it! Impossible, right? Just like you can't get away from your shadow, you can't outrun God! There isn't any place you can go that God isn't with

Find a shady spot in your yard and take a minute to pray. Thank God for being with you all the time. Know that like the shade falling over you right now, God is always there to give you what you need.

"Dear God, thank you for loving me so much! Help me to remember that I can hold on through hard things because You are with me. Help me to be faithful, no matter what I am facing. Thank You for always being with me. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."

## parent CUE:

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November 9-10 Kindergarten



**PRAY** that you will be faithful and remember that God is always with you

Child's Name: