# Children's Sunday School | Sunday, August 9

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 Joseph dreams big!

## **Opening Family Prayer**

Loving God,

Thank you for our family and friends.

Help us to follow in your ways and to know that even when we are worried You are always with us. Amen.

Read Scripture Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

### **Family Discussion**

- What do verses 1-4 tell us about Joseph? And what do they tell us about his relationship with his brothers?
- What message was Jacob sending when he gave Joseph the robe? The Hebrew words to describe Joseph's coat refer to a fancy long sleeved tunic, not something one would wear to tend to the flocks.
- Imagine what Joseph would say about the events in 12-28, and what would the brothers be feeling.
- What would Joseph's parents think? Have you ever had a dream come true?
- There are many different sides to this story. How would you see this situation through God's eyes?

#### **Create a Prayer**

Write your own family prayer, recall a time that God has turned a difficult situation into a better one for your family, and draw or write the circumstance and final good outcome. You can add this to Your Praying in Color Collage.

**As a Family** Walk and pray and discuss dreams that your family may have had. Have any of your dreams come true? Make a chalk drawing on the sidewalk of Joseph's coat and then draw the coat of your dreams. Take a picture of your chalk drawing and email it to Tammy, children@reveilleumc.org.

#### **Help Others**

Drop off donations for the Swansboro Elementary School Supplies Drive. Details

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### After the Video

Remember if you are nervous or anxious that God is always with you; like God was with the Bible character Joshua and our character today, Joseph!

#### Respond

Say this <u>children's version of The Lord's Prayer</u> together. Take a nature walk, praise God for the beauty that surrounds you.

#### Remember and Recall

God wants to you to look at situations and problems from God's eyes, not what is just best or most to fair to you. The story of Joseph reminds us that when things go terribly wrong in life, God is with you and can use a bad circumstance and turn it for good!

#### **Closing Prayer Video**

Watch the Christian mindfulness family prayer for August 9