



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

#43 – Joseph Becomes Ruler
Genesis 41:14-40

PICTURES NEEDED

- 43-1 Pharaoh's dream
- 43-2 Joseph brought before Pharaoh

NURSERY CONCEPT

God loved Joseph and watched over him.

LESSON CONTENT

Explanation: (Show lesson picture) (picture 43-1)

While he was in prison Joseph trusted God and showed that he was a very wise man who did what was right.

Pharaoh, the ruler of Egypt, had a dream that bothered him a lot. In one dream seven fat cows were eaten up by seven ugly and skinny cows. In the other dream seven healthy stalks of grain were swallowed up by seven thin and dried up heads of grain. (picture 43-2) Pharaoh found out that Joseph could understand dreams so he brought

Joseph out of prison to explain them to him. Joseph told Pharaoh that the dreams were from God and told him what was going to happen in Egypt. God said there would be seven years with lots of food, followed by seven years where there wouldn't be any food.

Pharaoh saw that Joseph was very wise and he made him an important ruler in Egypt to collect the grain in the good years so there would be something to eat in the bad years.

QUESTIONS

What was Pharaoh's dream? What did Joseph say about the dreams?
Why did Pharaoh make Joseph a ruler?

PRAYER

Thank God that he is with us in all circumstances and we can look to him for wisdom and understanding. Pray that we would show our love for God through the good things we do.

BIG QUESTION

How does a person demonstrate wisdom?
Good deeds show God's wisdom.

CONCEPT MOVEMENTS

Good deeds	Pound fists on top of one other and smile
Show	Put hands out palm up to sides
God's	Lift hands up and look up
Wisdom	Point to head

COLORING

Color in the lesson picture on the class notes.

ACTIVITY

Name the picture in the boxes on the back of the class notes.

LESSON SONG

Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river in my soul
I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river in my soul

Other Verses:

I've got love like an ocean

I've got joy like a fountain