



Child's Name: _____

Genesis 41:14-32

¹⁴Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him quickly out of the dungeon; and he shaved, changed his clothing, and came to Pharaoh. ¹⁵And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have had a dream, and *there is* no one who can interpret it. But I have heard it said of you *that* you can understand a dream, to interpret it."

¹⁶So Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, "*It is* not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace." ¹⁷Then Pharaoh said to Joseph: "Behold, in my dream I stood on the bank of the river. ¹⁸Suddenly seven cows came up out of the river, fine looking and fat; and they fed in the meadow. ¹⁹Then behold, seven other cows came up after them, poor and very ugly and gaunt, such ugliness as I have never seen in all the land of Egypt. ²⁰And the gaunt and ugly cows ate up the first seven, the fat cows. ²¹When they had eaten them up, no one would have known that they had eaten them, for they *were* just as ugly as at the beginning. So I awoke. ²²Also I saw in my dream, and suddenly seven  heads came up on one stalk, full and good. ²³Then behold, seven heads, withered, thin, *and* blighted by the east wind, sprang up after them. ²⁴And the thin heads devoured the seven good heads. So I told *this* to the magicians, but *there was* no one who could explain *it* to me."

²⁵Then Joseph said to Pharaoh, "The dreams of Pharaoh *are* one; God has shown Pharaoh what He *is* about to do; ²⁶The seven good cows *are* seven years, and the seven good  heads *are* seven years; the dreams *are* one. ²⁷And the seven thin and ugly cows which came up after them *are* seven years, and the seven empty heads blighted by the east wind are seven years of famine. ²⁸This *is* the thing which I have spoken to Pharaoh. God has shown Pharaoh what He *is* about to do. ²⁹Indeed seven years of great plenty will come throughout all the land of Egypt; ³⁰but after them seven years of famine will arise, and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine will deplete the land. ³¹So the plenty will not be known in the land because of the famine following, for it *will be* very severe. ³²And the dream was repeated to Pharaoh twice because the thing *is* established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.



LOWER ELEMENTARY LEVEL 3 HOME JOURNAL

LESSON 43



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

How does a person demonstrate wisdom?

MEMORY VERSE

James 3:13

Who *is* wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct *that* his works *are done* in the meekness of wisdom.

Thinking It Through

Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

I can apply that truth by:

My prayer to God is:

Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: What did Joseph do in jail? Why did Joseph do what was right?

Day 2: Who did Pharaoh put in prison? What happened to them in prison?

Day 3: What happened to the cupbearer? What happened to the baker? What did Joseph ask the cupbearer to do?

Day 4: What happened when Pharaoh had a dream?

Day 5: What was the meaning of Pharaoh's dream?

Day 6: What did Pharaoh do for Joseph? Why did Pharaoh do that?

Concluding Lesson

Review: Who did Pharaoh put in prison? What happened to them in prison? What happened when Pharaoh had a dream? What was the meaning of Pharaoh's dream? What did Pharaoh do for Joseph?

Prayer: Thank God that learning from him and following his truth makes a person wise. Pray that you would want to be wise,

Application: What does it take to be wise? Would someone think you were wise by looking at what you do? Why or why not?

Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.

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How does a person demonstrate wisdom?



Good deeds show God's
wisdom.

Day 1

Draw a picture of Joseph in jail.

Joseph was thrown into jail,
though he did nothing wrong
He continued to do right
because to God he did belong.
He was put in charge
of all things in the jail.
Because whatever Joseph did,
he did it very well.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 39:22-23:²² And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners who *were* in the prison; whatever they did there, it was his doing.²³ The keeper of the prison did not look into anything *that was* under *Joseph's* authority, because the LORD was with him; and whatever he did, the LORD made *it* prosper.

Day 6

Draw a picture of Joseph as the ruler.

Pharaoh then made Joseph
the ruler of his lands.
He put the care of Egypt
into Joseph's righteous hands.
He saw that Joseph's wisdom
came from God above.
As Joseph truly trusted
in God's goodness and his love.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 41:39-40:³⁹ Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, *there is* no one as discerning and wise as you."⁴⁰ You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you."

Day 5

Draw a picture of seven cows.

Pharaoh then told Joseph
of his terrible dream.
And Joseph learned from God
what the dream did mean.
Seven cows and heads of grain
growing on a stem.
Meant 7 years of great abundance
God would give to them.
Seven years would follow
when food they couldn't grow.
Pharaoh's dreams and what they meant
to Joseph God did show.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 41:29-30: ²⁹ Indeed seven years of great plenty will come throughout all the land of Egypt; ³⁰ but after them seven years of famine will arise, and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine will deplete the land.

Day 2

Draw a picture of Pharaoh's servants.

To the prison Pharaoh sent
two of his servants there.
Pharaoh's baker and his cupbearer
were put under Joseph's care.
Then one night both servants
had a dream that caused them grief.
Joseph knew the meaning,
which to the cupbearer brought relief.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 40:8: ⁸ And they said to him, "We each have had a dream, and *there is* no interpreter of it." So Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Tell *them* to me, please."

Day 3 Draw a picture of Joseph and the cupbearer.

The cupbearer was restored
to the job that he once had.
But the baker lost his life
as Pharaoh deemed him bad.
Joseph asked the cupbearer
to get him out of jail.
But he didn't help out Joseph,
he just left him in his cell.

What does the verse mean?

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Genesis 40:21-23: ²¹ Then he restored the chief butler to his butlership again, and he placed the cup in Pharaoh's hand. ²² But he hanged the chief baker, as Joseph had interpreted to them. ²³ Yet the chief butler did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.

Day 4 Draw a picture of Joseph going to Pharaoh.

However, after two years
Pharaoh had a dream,
There was no one he could find
to tell what it did mean.
The cupbearer was reminded
of what Joseph did in jail.
And that the meaning of a dream
Joseph sure could tell.
So Pharaoh sent for Joseph
to come into his home.
Joseph had to bathe and shave
to come before the throne.

What does the verse mean?

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Genesis 41:15-16: ¹⁵ And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have had a dream, and *there is* no one who can interpret it. But I have heard it said of you *that* you can understand a dream, to interpret it." ¹⁶ So Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, "*It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace.*"