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## Daily Reading Questions

Note: The questions were written from the wording in the NIV 1984. If you are using a different Bible translation, they may have to be adapted.

Journal Focus – Genesis, chapters 41-44

Reading 1: Genesis 41:41-57 Joseph is put in charge.

What did Joseph do for Egypt? What did the names Joseph gave to his sons show about him?

Reading 2: Genesis 42 Joseph's brothers go to Egypt.

Why did Joseph's brothers go to Egypt? Why do you think Joseph's brothers didn't recognize him? How do you know that the guilt of what they did to Joseph still haunted them? Why weren't the brothers honest men as they told Joseph? Why wouldn't Jacob send Benjamin to Egypt?

Reading 3: Genesis 43:1-14 The brothers go back to Egypt.

Why did Jacob finally relent to sending Benjamin to Egypt?

Reading 4: Genesis 43:15-34 The brothers eat with Joseph.

What do you think Joseph's brothers were thinking as Joseph brought them to his house and questioned them?

Reading 5: Genesis 44 Judah offers himself instead of Benjamin.

What did Judah's plea to spare Benjamin show about him? How do you think that affected Joseph?

Reading 6: James 3:13-18 True wisdom comes with humility.

What demonstrates true wisdom? Why is humility essential for being truly wise? What causes disorder and evil? Why? How did Joseph show he was truly wise?

UPPER ELEMENTARY-ADULT

LEVEL 4

HOME JOURNAL

### LESSON 43



### 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.



## Parent Notes

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of your child, or parent preference, he/she may do the work in this journal independently or complete it with the parent. After reading the day's Bible passage, the student should identify an important truth that relates to that reading and answer the question why he/she needs to know that truth. It would be beneficial if the parent and student also read through and answer the 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.
- **Concluding Lesson:** To develop deeper understanding and a comprehensive biblical worldview, the parent should talk through with the student the **Thinking It Through** questions at the back of the booklet and then have the student write out the answers.
- **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.*

## Concluding Lesson—Thinking It Through

Discuss these questions with a parent then write out your answers below.

- What is an important truth you learned from the Bible readings this week?
- How should that truth be lived out in your life?
- What would be the result of your living out that truth?
- What is a lie or deception people believe in terms of that truth?
- Why does that lie or deception appeal to people?
- What would be the result of believing and following that lie or deception?

**Digging Deeper:** Genesis, chapters 41-44

**Reading 5:** Genesis 44

What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

**Reading 6:** James 3:13-18

What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

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## **How does a person demonstrate wisdom?**

Good deeds show God's wisdom.

**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.



**DIGGING DEEPER**

This week in your daily Bible readings you will be digging deeper. You will be reading chapters in the book of Genesis that won't be covered in Gnosis Club. As you read pray that your mind would be open to understand more fully the history of God's people Israel. The questions for each reading are on the back cover. They will help you think more deeply about the readings.

**Digging Deeper:** Genesis, chapters 41-44

**Reading 1:** Genesis 41:41-57

What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

**Reading 2:** Genesis 42

What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

**Digging Deeper:** Genesis, chapters 41-44

**Reading 3:** Genesis 43:1-14

What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

**Reading 4:** Genesis 43:15-34

What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?