# A DAY WITH THE KING



# JOSEPH

DAILY DEVOTIONAL 11



LET'S PRAY Dear Lord, thank You for another day. Use me to share Jesus today. I love You Lord. Help me to understand what I read in the bible today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 18:2

"The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold".

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: GENESIS 35:9-20



God again repeated His promises to Jacob once he had returned to his home country. God told him that He would bless him in the land He gave his grandfather Abraham and his father Isaac. That must have been such a great comfort to Jacob after all he had been through.

Also we read that Rachel died giving birth to her second son, Benjamin.

We can find great comfort in God's word.

1 Corinthians 14:33 says that God is the author of peace, not confusion. Reading God's Word can give us the peace and comfort we need in such a busy world.



#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 35:11

"Also God said to .....:: 'I am God ..... Be fruitful and .....; a nation and a company of ..... shall proceed from you, and ...... shall come from your ......."





LET'S PRAY Dear Father, help me to let Your light shine through me today. Thank You for all You do for me. Thank You for my Bible. Please speak to me through Your word today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 35:23-29



Jacob had twelve sons. The Bible also tells us Jacob had a daughter to Leah. Her name was Dinah. You can read about that in Genesis 30:21.

Also we read that Isaac died at 180 years of age. Wow that's old!

The number 12 is an interesting number.

Read Revelation 21:12-21.

Count how many times the number 12 comes up.



#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 35:23-26





# TUESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, I praise Your name. Thank You for a new day. You are so good to me. Thank You for the Bible. Help me to understand what I read. In Jesus' name, Aen.

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THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: GENESIS 37:1-8



Joseph was the son of Rachel, Jacob's favourite wife. Unfortunately, Jacob favoured Joseph which caused a lot of anger amongst the brothers. Jacob showed particular favouritism by making Joseph a special coat, or tunic, that had many colours in it. It was the type of coat people of distinction wore.



This made his brothers angrier. Unfortunately the sons grew up with the jealousy and strife between their mothers, and it affected the brothers' characters and personalities. Joseph started to have dreams, which his brothers were not too pleased about.

Joseph's brothers had a big problem with anger. It caused many problems in the family. Do you have a problem with anger? You can claim a Bible verse in Psalm 37:8 and ask God to help you with your anger.

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 37:3

"Now Israel loved ...... more than all his ....., because he was the son of his ..... age. Also he made him a ..... of many colours".





# WEDNESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Father, thank You for my good night's sleep. Thank You for my Mum and Dad. Thank You for my Bible. Help me to understand it better. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 18:2

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THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

let's read: Genesis 37:9-11



Joseph's brothers were not happy about the dreams he was having. By the second dream, even his father rebuked him. But verse 11 says that his father kept the matter in his mind. I think he realised that God must of been revealing something to his son. God was beginning to bless Joseph with the gift of spiritual inspiration.



To Joseph's brothers, the thought that they would bow down before their younger brother was almost more than they could bear, even though they could see God's light shining through him. Their hearts at this time could not be humbled. We can ask God to help us be humble. You can find that in James 4:10 and 1 Peter 5:6. If we humble ourselves before God, not boasting, or thinking of ourselves as better than others, and not being envious, then God will lift us up.

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 37:9

"Then he ...... still another dream and told it to his ....., and said, 'Look, I have dreamed another dream. And this time, the ...... stars bowed down to





# THURSDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Lord, thank You for my family. Thank You for all You do for me. Please help me to understand what I read in Your word. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 18:2

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# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: GENESIS 37:12-17



Joseph's brothers had taken the flocks of sheep to Shechem to find pasture for them to eat. They had been gone for some time and Jacob, their father, had not heard from them. So he sent Joseph to find them and bring back word to his father that everything was okay. Joseph travelled about 80 kms to find them but when he arrived they were not there. He was told they had gone on further to Dothan so he travelled about another 24 kms to find them.

Whether he travelled by foot or by donkey, that's a long way!

Despite the brothers' unkindness and cruelty towards him, Joseph still loved them. Jesus tells us in Mathew 5:44 that we are to love our enemies, which at times can be extremely difficult. But if we ask God, He can supply that love in us.



#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 37:14

"Then he ...... to him, '..... go and see if it is ..... with your ...... and well with the flocks and ..... back word to me'. So he sent him out of the ..... of Hebron and he went to Shechem'".





LET'S PRAY Dear Father, thank You that Jesus died for me on the cross. Thank You for Your love for me. Thank You for the Bible. I want to understand it more. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 37:18-24



Joseph's brothers were very angry with him; so angry they wanted to kill Joseph. God intervened through Reuben as he talked his brothers into not killing Joseph. Instead, they put him into a deep well, or pit, that no longer had water in it.

Joseph's life and gift of spiritual inspiration was a constant irritation



to his brothers. It was a constant reminder of their own bad behaviour and they did not want to repent and change their ways.

Can you think of the ways God has intervened in your life this past week and kept you safe?

Praise God for his care over you as you open the Sabbath.

#### FILL IN THE MISSING SPACES - GENESIS 37:24

"Then they ...... him and ...... him into a ...... And the pit was ......; there was no ..... in it".





LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You for the Sabbath Day. Thank You for creating our world. Help me to enjoy and gain a blessing from Your holy day today. Teach me through reading Your Bible. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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LET'S READ: GENESIS 37:25-36



# THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Judah decided not to let Joseph die but to sell him. Rueben was upset as he had planned to secretly come back and rescue Joseph. In the end the brothers made up a plan to tell their father a lie, that Joseph had been attacked and killed by a wild animal.

But God is good. God delivered Joseph out of his angry brothers'

hands. Even though Joseph was sold as a slave—which was terrible—he was still alive. But I don't think the brothers were prepared for the terrible grief that their father Jacob would suffer because they lied and told their father that Joseph was dead.

As we have studied before, lies cause nothing but trouble and have terrible consequences.



#### SABBATH QUIZ

1. How many sons did Jacob have?
2. What was Jacob's daughter's name?
3. How old was Isaac when he died?
4. What was the special piece of clothing that Jacob had made for Joseph?
5. What was the name of the brother who decided not to kill Joseph but to sell him to the Ishmaelites?



This week we will study from the Bible about Jacob's son Joseph.



Torchlight

"There was one, however, of widely different character—the elder son of Rachel, Joseph, whose rare personable beauty seemed but to reflect an inward beauty of mind and heart. Pure, active, and joyous, the lad gave evidence also of moral earnestness and firmness. He listened to his father's instructions, and loved to obey God" – Patriarchs & Prophets p. 209



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