AS YOU READ CHAPTER 3

Read chapter three of The Story this week! You can read The Story together or each read your own versions. Find time whenever you can to talk about what you are reading and pray together. This is valuable time! The questions and prayers below can serve as a guide for your family discussion.

1. Can anybody remember a funny or weird dream they had recently? (If no one has any then share one from the past or that someone has shared with you before.)

   **Prayer:** God, thank you for the story of Joseph and for how you cared for him! Amen.

2. Why were Joseph’s brothers jealous of him? What does it feel like to be jealous of someone? Does God want us to have jealousy?

   **Prayer:** God, thank you for the ways you have blessed our family. Help us to see the blessings we have and to not be jealous of others. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

3. How did Joseph have to be patient? What can you learn from Joseph about being patient and believing in God’s goodness, even when you can’t see how things will work out?

   **Prayer:** Lord, thank you for Joseph’s example. We know that you are with us through the good times and the hard times. We pray you would help us to have patience at all times! Amen.

4. Have every person in your family pick a favorite possession and share what is special about it. Then ask how having favorite people caused trouble in Joseph’s family.

   **Prayer:** God, you love everyone more than we can imagine! We pray that everyone is treated equally and that you would continue to bless our family. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

5. God gave Joseph wisdom of the coming famine. People were saved when there was no food. Consider picking some non-perishable food items to take to the church for Outreach Night to share with those who are in need.

   **Prayer:** God, thank you for how you have cared for us. We pray for those who are in need and ask that the food we can share will bless them. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

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