

READ IT

This week's Bible story is
Joseph and His Brothers
from Genesis 37:1-28.

God is always with us.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Joseph
- Coat
- Jacob
- Dreams
- Canaan

In both the Old and New Testaments, God often speaks to people through dreams. Some dreams tell of good times, some of bad times. Other dreamers include Pharaoh, Solomon, Mordecai, and Joseph, the husband of Mary.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 48-53

Spark NRSV Bible pages 42-43

Family Prayer

Thank you, God, for always sticking with us—in good and bad times you are there. Help each of us to know this well. AMEN.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 What is the best gift you ever received?
- 2 What do you dream about?
- 3 When is God with you? How do you know?
- 4 How can our family be a blessing to other families that we know?



Eye Spark

Look for stars with someone each evening and tell that person, "God is always with you."



Ear Spark

When you hear someone crying, know that God hears them, too.

LIVE IT

For families to do together

The story of Joseph and his brothers has been made into a musical called *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. See if you can find a live performance or a music or video recording of it to watch or listen to. It includes a scene about Joseph's dreams.

For younger kids

Gather coats in your house or neighborhood that your family or neighbors aren't using and donate them so they can be used by others.

For older kids

Find a blank family tree diagram that you like on the internet, or in a book, or create one of your own. Spend some time filling in your family tree and telling family stories.

