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As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.
Genesis 50:20

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:
Parent Signature: _____



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JOSEPH TAKEN TO EGYPT

Genesis 37; 39-46; 50

**WHO IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING?
GOD IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH.
NOTHING IS OUTSIDE OF GOD'S GOOD PLAN.**

Jacob had 12 sons, but his son Joseph was his favorite. Jacob made Joseph a special robe. Joseph's brothers were jealous and hated him. Then Joseph shared some dreams he had. In these dreams, his brothers and father and mother bowed down to him. The brothers decided to get rid of Joseph. They sold him to some men who took him away to Egypt, where he became a servant in the house of a man named Potiphar. One day, Potiphar's wife lied about Joseph. Potiphar was angry and put Joseph in prison.

While Joseph was in jail, he met a man who had been the cupbearer for Pharaoh. This man told Joseph about a strange dream he had. God gave Joseph the ability to understand the dream. This cupbearer would soon be freed from jail. Then, Pharaoh had some strange dreams. The cupbearer told Pharaoh to send for Joseph. Joseph told Pharaoh what the dreams meant: seven years of great farming followed by seven years of famine. Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of everything in Egypt!

Joseph's father and brothers had no food to eat. They went to Egypt to ask for grain. When they first saw Joseph, they did not recognize him. Then Joseph told his brothers who he was. Joseph said, "You planned evil against me, but God planned it for good so that many people would be saved."

Christ Connection: Even when bad things were happening in Joseph's life, God had a plan for good. Bad things also happened to Jesus. Jesus never sinned, but He was arrested, beaten, and killed on a cross. Those things happened to bring about our good—so people could be saved from sin and death through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

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