

# LIFE LESSONS FROM JOSEPH



LEADERS GUIDE  
VINEYARD YOUTH CURRICULUM

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WEEK 1  
GOD IS GOD  
OVER ALL

## MAIN VERSES

Genesis 37:19-20, 39:2, 21, 23; Deuteronomy 31:8

## MAIN THOUGHT

God is God over all.

## MAIN POINTS

God is with you  
Renew your mind with the promises of God  
Pray and ask for wisdom  
Anchor yourself in the Word of God

## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever had a moment where you have wondered where God is? Share.
2. Looking at some of the small list of promises that Cynda talked about- which of them do you struggle with the most and why?
  - God promises to strengthen you. ...
  - God promises to give you rest. ...
  - God promises to take care of all your needs. ...
  - God promises to answer your prayers. ...
  - God promises to work everything out for your good. ...
  - God promises to be with you. ...
  - God promises to protect you. ...
  - God promises freedom from sin.
3. What are some of the ways that you have relied on God's promises?

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WEEK 2  
DO WHAT IS  
PLEASING TO  
GOD

## MAIN VERSES

Genesis 39:8-10, Romans 8:28, 35-39

## MAIN THOUGHT


Do what is pleasing to God (regardless of consequences)

## MAIN POINTS

Hidden things are never good things

God is still faithful even when bad things happen

## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever been faced with cheating or taking the shortcut? What were the consequences? Describe your experience.
  2. Doing the right thing always has a cost. Standing up to a bully; telling the truth about someone you know is doing something wrong, etc. Have you ever had an experience like this- and were you able to see the good in it even though it was hard at first?
  3. Do you view the things that are hard that come at you as an invitation from the Lord or as punishment? Why or why not?
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WEEK 3  
BE READY!  
GOD'S  
INVITATION  
WILL COME

## MAIN VERSES

Genesis 40, 41: 1-39; Ephesians 6:13-17

## MAIN THOUGHT


Be ready! God's invitation for more will come

## MAIN POINTS

God is ALL KNOWING

God takes ACTION

## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever prepared yourself for something and experienced the benefits of that preparation? Share.
  2. Reminding yourselves of the truths about God that He is all knowing and the one that takes action...is that a comforting thought for you? Why or why not?
  3. What are some practical ways that you can prepare yourself as someone who follows Jesus? Looking at that Ephesians passage what are some of the things that you are readying yourself with?? Truth? Righteousness? Peace? Are you practicing these things right now?
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WEEK 4  
FORGIVENESS  
IS FOR  
EVERYONE

## MAIN VERSES

Genesis 42:1-5; 45:1-15

## MAIN THOUGHT

Forgiveness is for everyone

## MAIN POINTS

Forgiveness reminds us of God's grace

Forgiveness releases our emotions

Forgiveness requires an active change of our own will

## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Describe a time in your life when you forgave someone. What was the outcome?
  2. Is there someone or something that you have done that you need forgiveness for?
  3. Are there areas in your life where you need to express emotion or need an outlet like Joseph? Share.
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