

Joseph Sold into Slavery by His Brothers - Genesis 37:12-36

I wonder...

- I wonder why Joseph's brothers wanted to kill him?
- I wonder why Reuben didn't want to go along with his brothers' plan?
- I wonder if Joseph's brothers felt any sadness or guilt when they tossed him into the dry well?
- I wonder what Joseph's brothers were thinking as they sold him to the traders?
- I wonder what Joseph was thinking when he realized how much his brothers hated him?
- I wonder if Joseph was afraid?
- I wonder what the brothers were feeling while they made the plan to trick Jacob into thinking Joseph had been eaten by a wild animal?
- I wonder why Reuben didn't tell his father the truth?
- I wonder what Joseph was thinking when he ended up as a slave in Egypt?
- I wonder why this story is important for us to know?
- I wonder what you think is the most important part?

Good Things Happen, Bad Things Happen

One thing we learn from Joseph's life is that God is always with us, no matter what is happening!

"Good things happen, bad things happen, but God is always working."

What do you think when you hear this statement? How does it make you feel? Do you agree? How do we know God is always working?

Read Romans 8:28

"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

What do you think this verse means?

Can you think of a time when something hard or bad happened, but you were still able to know that God was working in your life in spite of what was happening?