# The Forgiving Prince

Joseph and his brothers, from Genesis 37–50

#### Biblical Truth to Emphasize

God is always in control!

### Read & Remember

Please find a comfortable place and read "The Forgiving Prince" from the Jesus Storybook Bible pages 76-83

- ❖ Who was Jacob's favorite son? *Joseph*
- ❖ What did Jacob give to Joseph because he was his favorite son? A colorful coat
- ❖ How did Joseph's brothers feel? *They were angry/jealous*
- ❖ What did Joseph's brothers do to Joseph? Sold him as a slave
- ❖ Joseph did not stay a slave in Egypt. What did he become? A prince
- ❖ When Joseph's brothers came to Egypt looking for food was he angry at them or did he forgive them? *He loved them and forgave them*
- Why did Joseph say he was able to forgive his brothers. Who was always in control even when bad things were happening? God
- ❖ Who is the prince that God was going to send? His Son, Jesus

# Jesus in the Story

**Say:** "Even though people intended bad things to happen to Joseph and Jesus — and bad things did happen — God intended good things to happen — and good things did happen. God is always in control."

**Say:** "Joseph was left for dead by his brothers, but later Joseph rescued them—as God had planned. Jesus was killed by those he came to save, but his death provided a rescue for them—as God had planned."

# **Pray Together**

"Thank you, God that you are in control of everything! You are in control when good things happen. You are in control when bad things happen. Help us to trust you all the time!"

## Sing

We are currently singing "To God be the Glory." I encourage you to learn this song together as a family.

## Memory Verse

This week we will begin memorizing a new verse "You planned to harm me, but God planned it for good." Genesis 50:20