Family Talk – Reconciliation

READ TOGETHER

Genesis 42:1-38

- 1. Are you envious that God speaks to some people often but others not as much?
- 2. What feelings do you have towards Joseph's brothers?
- 3. In light of what Joseph's brothers did to him, discuss his actions toward them.
- 4. How do you behave toward someone or a loved one who's hurt you?

LIVE IT

Joseph's father commands his brothers to go to Egypt to buy food, so they don't die during the famine! When they arrive, they're face-to-face with Joseph, bowing in his presence. Although Joseph recognized his brothers, they didn't recognize him. And he remembered the dreams he'd had about them many years before. He said to them, "You are spies!"

We all experience pain in life. Being overlooked, unheard or hurt by people and those we love can lead to unforgiveness and bitterness. Ask God for a plan so you can forgive, and let go of the pain you're carrying.

LEAN ON GOD

Lord,

We love You. In the story of Joseph, let us see Jesus forgiving us even though we don't deserve his compassionate grace and mercy.

In Jesus name,

Amen

