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Bible Study:

Read Genesis 41, and Psalm 105. Consider all the ways Joseph suffered, but God guided and protected Joseph and his family.

The gospel in the story:

At the heart of the gospel is the truth that God is everything, and we are nothing without Him. In Genesis 41:16, Joseph was clear in his proclamation that he could not interpret Pharaoh's dream, but that God could. As a result, Pharaoh saw God's power and provision and recognized that there was no other person in Egypt who would match what God would do through this Hebrew, Joseph.

*Application**Head:* **What did we learn?**

Q: How did Joseph get out of jail? A: He was brought to Pharaoh and asked to interpret dreams.

Q: How did Pharaoh hear of Joseph? A: Joseph had correctly interpreted the cupbearer's dream while in jail.

Q: Could Joseph interpret dreams? A: No, only God could.

Q: What did Pharaoh's dreams mean? A: That there was going to be a seven-year period of plenty, followed by a seven-year period of famine.

Q: What was Pharaoh's reaction? A: He put Joseph in charge because he recognized that God had given Joseph great discernment.

Heart : **Memory verse**

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Hands: **How does this affect the way I live?**

The story of Joseph is one of many examples in scripture that proves God is trustworthy. He will accomplish His ways, and we never have to doubt.

Home: **How does this affect my household?**

As we live life together, we are always in the position to bring glory to God when we treat one another graciously as we have been treated graciously.

Heaven: **How does this help me share my faith?**

Joseph identified God as the source of his strength to Pharaoh, and as a result, in Genesis 41: 38 and 39 Pharaoh proclaimed God's greatness. That is why we wish to make much of Jesus and His saving work to our friends and neighbors.