



BIG IDEA

Even when things don't look good, God is with us.

GOD STORY

The Slave (Genesis 37:12–35; 39)

KEY VERSE

We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him. (Romans 8:28a, NIRV)

1 | Conversation Starter

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- To lead into today's teaching, discuss:
 - What happened this week that made you happy?
 - Did anything make you feel a little sad, scared, or nervous this week? If so, what was it?
- Introduce today's Big Idea: **Even when things don't look good, God is with us.**
- Emphasize that we can talk to God about anything.

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

- Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

- Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Kids playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.

3 | Discuss & Pray

SUPPLIES

- Bible

INSTRUCTIONS

- Review and discuss the video teaching:
 - What stood out to you in today's Life Story? How about the God Story?
 - What's the Key Verse for this series about Joseph? (Romans 8:28a)
- Pray and thank God for always being with us and always working for our good!



4 | Activity

SUPPLIES

- Craft paper (or the blank side of wrapping paper)
- Drawing supplies
- Wall-safe tape

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

- Print the Big Idea (**Even when things don't look good, God is with us**) in big letters on the paper.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Gather everyone around the paper.
- b. Direct the kids to draw a worst-case scenario (e.g., being sucked into a tornado along with sharks and crocodiles or being forced to eat plain cauliflower while listening to your little sister play an instrument she doesn't know). They should include themselves in their picture and sign their names near it.
- c. Look at their drawings and chat about them together.
- d. Hang the mural as a reminder of today's lesson.

5 | Key Verse

SUPPLIES

- Key Verse sign

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Encourage the kids to come up with a way to teach the Key Verse to someone who's younger than them. For example, they could set the words to a familiar tune, make up a game, or create actions to go with the words.
- b. Give them time to brainstorm and work out their ideas.
- c. Invite them to show their method to you.
- d. Challenge the kids to use their idea to teach Romans 8:28 to someone this week!