

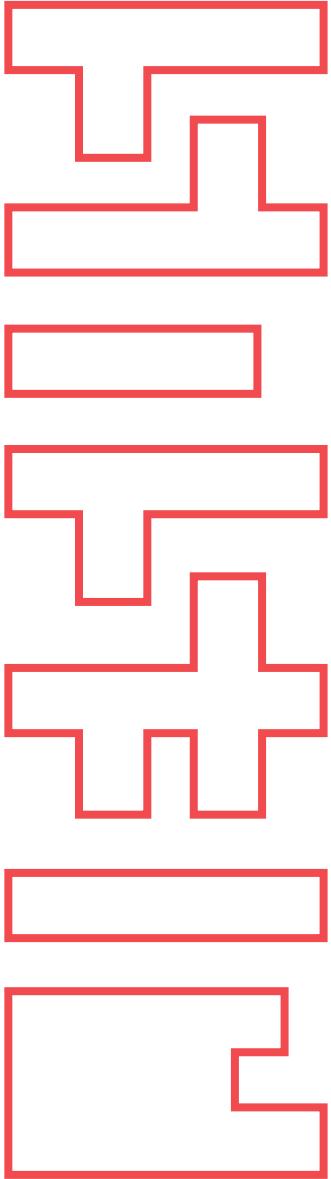
The Dream Comes True

God can make good things from something that was bad.

“But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive”
(Genesis 50:20).

Joseph suffered abandonment, slavery, false accusations, and an unjust prison sentence. Yet he stayed faithful to God. Eventually, Joseph became a leader in Egypt. God used Joseph's circumstances to save his family. For this to happen, Joseph had to make the choice to forgive.

Although our past can seem messed up and confusing, God can make something beautiful out of it. In each of these red shapes, write a word describing a time of trouble or sadness to you. Then use a red crayon to color in the shapes and over your words. When you finish, turn your paper to the right to see what is spelled out.



From Genesis 49, unscramble the names of Joseph's kin to reveal a secret word.

NUBEZL



BEREUN



SEINOM



LAHANTPI



JAHDU



VELI



HESAR



SACSRHIA



Color the picture of Joseph and his family.



I will let God take my past and make something beautiful out of it.



MOVE!

**Genesis 45; 46:26–34; 47:27–31; 50:15–21:
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The famine hit the land hard, but Egypt was ready because Pharaoh had put Joseph in charge. When people needed food from Egypt's storehouses, they came to Joseph.

Meanwhile, Joseph's father, Jacob—who had no idea Joseph was still alive—sent his ten sons to Egypt in search of food. They didn't recognize Joseph because he was decked out in full Egyptian garb. For months, Joseph tricked his brothers, calling them spies and then framing them so it looked like they were thieves. They thought he was just an Egyptian dignitary giving them a hard time, not the brother they had sold into slavery many years ago.

As his final trick, Joseph framed the youngest brother, Benjamin, with a silver cup, threatening slavery to the one who was caught with it. In desperation, Judah begged for Benjamin's freedom.

Joseph couldn't hold his emotions any longer. In tears, he revealed his true identity. "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" His brothers were speechless.

Joseph continued, "Don't be angry with yourselves for selling me to this place. It was God, not you, who sent me here so I could save everyone. God has put me in charge over Egypt. He has turned your evil into something good."

When Jacob found out his son was alive, he was overwhelmed with joy. Pharaoh invited Jacob and his family to move to Egypt to survive the famine. They all moved to an area on the outskirts of Egypt called Goshen where they flourished.