



Being Mindful of God's Plans & Promises

Parents: We always have plenty to do. Our job as parents requires us to make plans and be flexible when they change. Today we are going to see how God has plans. His plans and promises for us are best and they never fail. We connect our kids to God's promises today that never fail, through the story of Joseph. We see there are plenty of reasons to sing His praise.

Read: Genesis 50:22-26 Joseph stayed in Egypt, along with all his father's family. He lived a hundred and ten years and saw the third generation of Ephraim's children. Also the children of Makir son of Manasseh were placed at birth on Joseph's knees. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." And Joseph made the Israelites swear an oath and said, "God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place." So Joseph died at the age of a hundred and ten. And after they embalmed him, he was placed in a coffin in Egypt.

Discuss: How long did Joseph live? *110 years*

How did God bless Joseph? *He gave him a long life. He got to see many grandchildren and even great-great grandchildren.*

What did Joseph remind his family about when he was about to go to heaven? *God's promise to take His children to the land He promised for them.*

Why do you have reason to sing?

What does God promise to do for you when you die? *God loves you. He promises to take you to be with him in heaven.*

Key Point: God, We Sing Your Praise

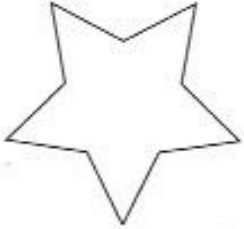
God (Point up to heaven)

We Sing your Praise! (Jump in the air with your arm up!)

Family Activity: Create a bracelet. Use stickers, string, or materials you have on hand to make a pattern. Add a Bible verse and an encouraging word. When it's worn, let it be a reminder that God always keeps His promises.

Prayer: *Prayer: Dear God, thank you for giving us the story of Joseph in your Word, the Bible. We learn from it that we can trust you no matter what. Help us to trust your plans. Thank you for sending Jesus. He is our Superhero. We have every reason to sing. We thank you and we love you. Amen*

Next Steps: Memorize Psalm 106:12, "Then they believed His promises and sang His praise".

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