

**Year 1**

**Week 26**

## **Pharaoh's Dreams**

**Scriptures: Genesis 41**

**Key Verse: Genesis 41:16 Joseph answered Pharaoh saying, "It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace."**

**Key Points:**

1. Pharaoh had 2 dreams. He had one dream about 7 fat cows coming up out of the river and eating up 7 skinny cows. The second dream was similar, 7 thin, blighted heads of grain devoured 7 plump, full heads of grain. These dreams troubled Pharaoh and no one could interpret the dreams.

2. The butler finally remembered Joseph and told Pharaoh how he had interpreted his dream. Pharaoh sent for Joseph and he interpreted his dreams for him. Joseph told Pharaoh there would be 7 years of plenty, then 7 years of famine that would eat up the 7 good years.

3. Joseph advised Pharaoh to set up a man to be over the land of Egypt and officers to collect one-fifth of the grain in the good years to save for the famine. Pharaoh recognized that God was with Joseph and that he was wise. He appointed Joseph to be over the land of Egypt and clothed him with fine clothing and jewelry.

4. Joseph was 30 years old when he was put over Egypt. He had two sons during this time by his wife Asenath: Manasseh and Ephraim.

5. Joseph gathered much grain during the plentiful years. When the famine was over all the face of the earth, all the countries came to Joseph to buy grain for the famine was severe.

## 29. JOSEPH & POTIPHAR (GENESIS 39:1-23)



"And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled."

**GENESIS 39:19**

# JOSEPH IN PRISON

(GENESIS 40:1-41:57)



“And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners *were* bound: and he was there in the prison.”

**GENESIS 39:20**

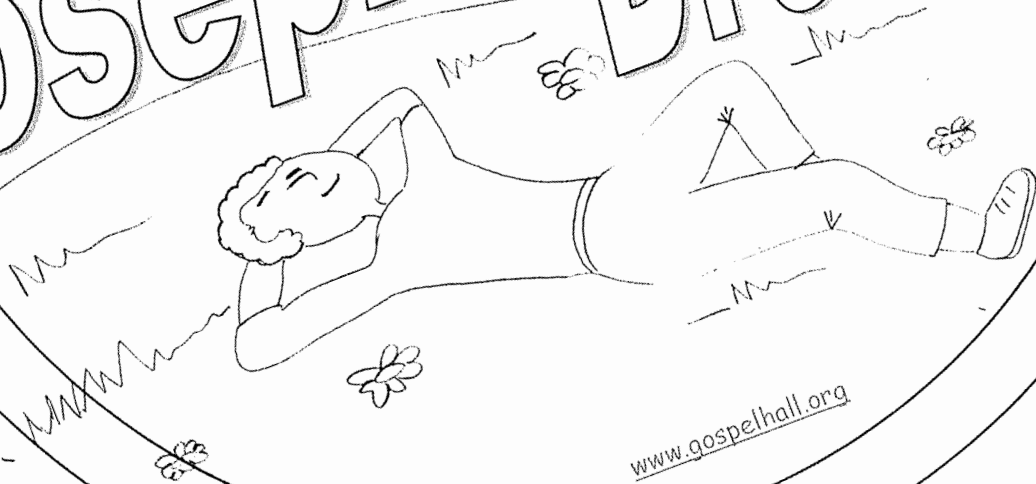
## Joseph's dreams crafts

Joseph dream wheel ~ print on cardstock and cut out where indicated. Let the children color/and or find stickers to use on the wheel.

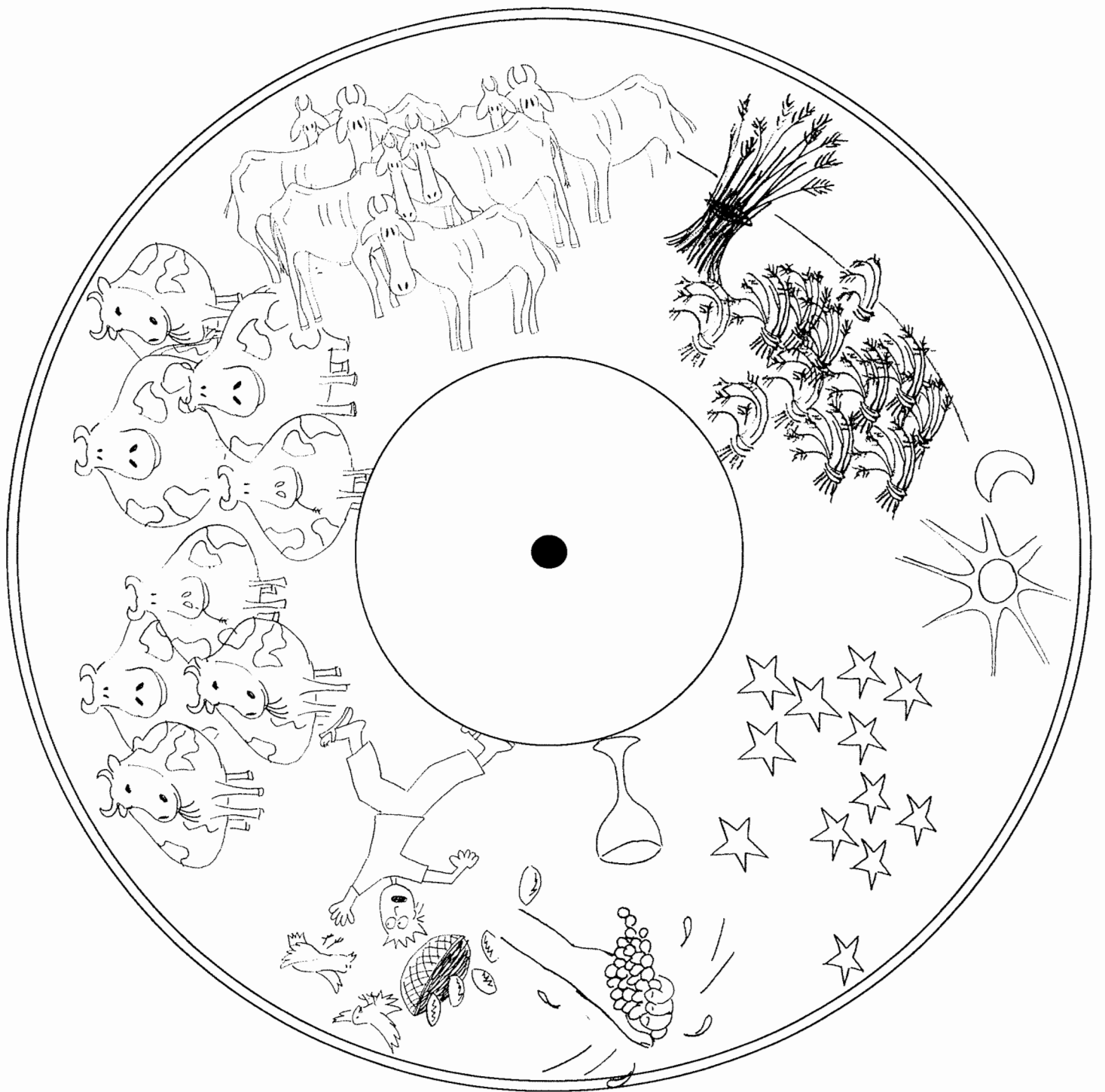
Fat cows/skinny cows ~ use paper plate folded over to make cow. You can fold them to be either fat or skinny.

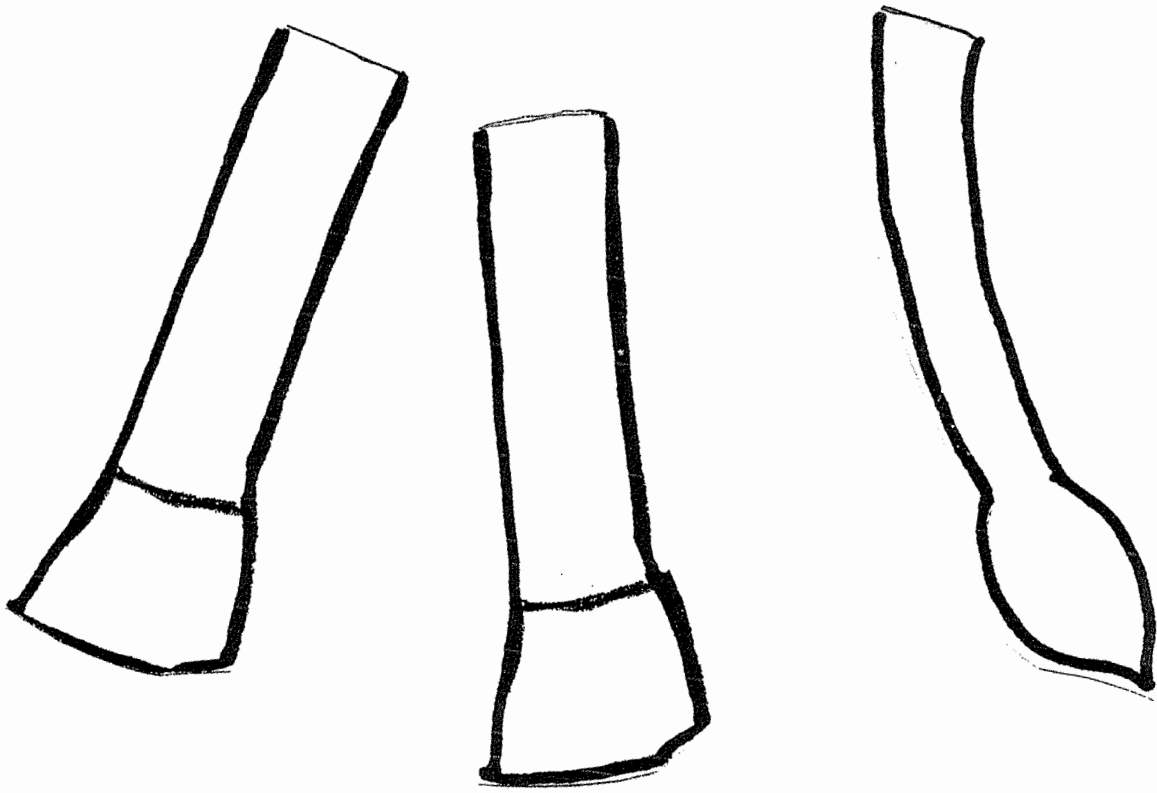
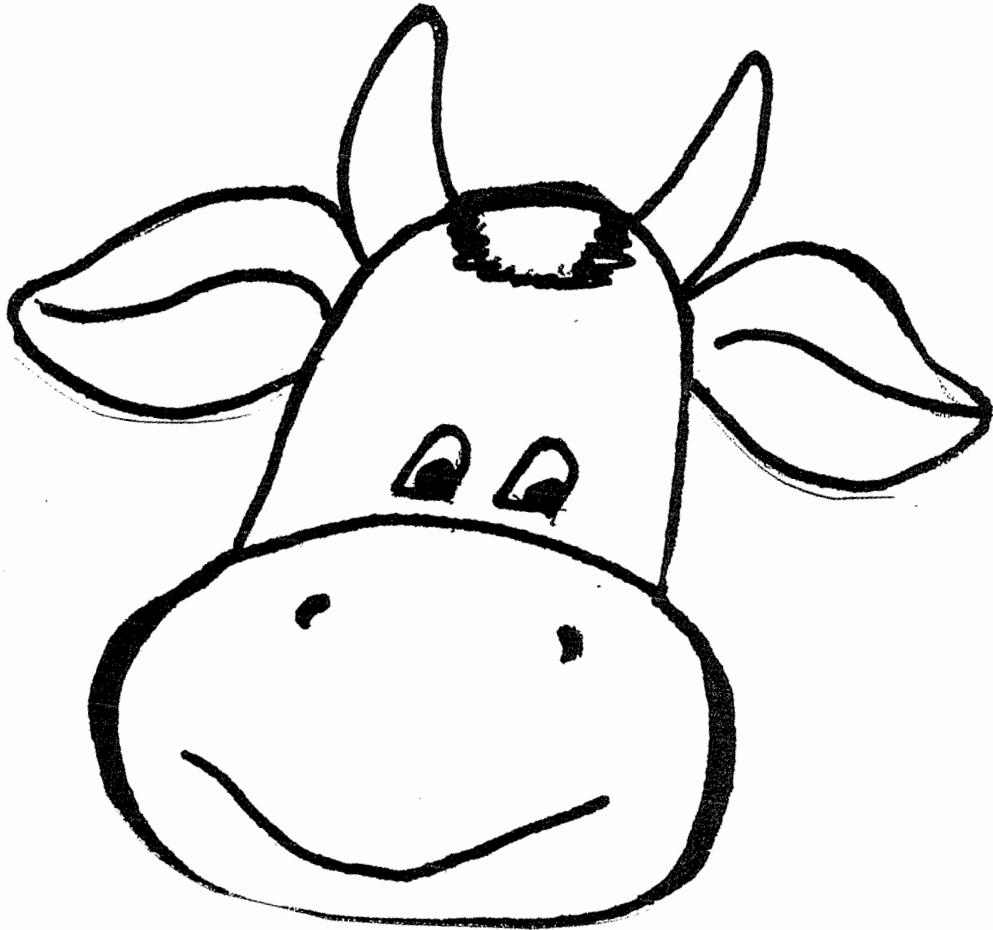
Cut out this window.

# Joseph • the Dreamer

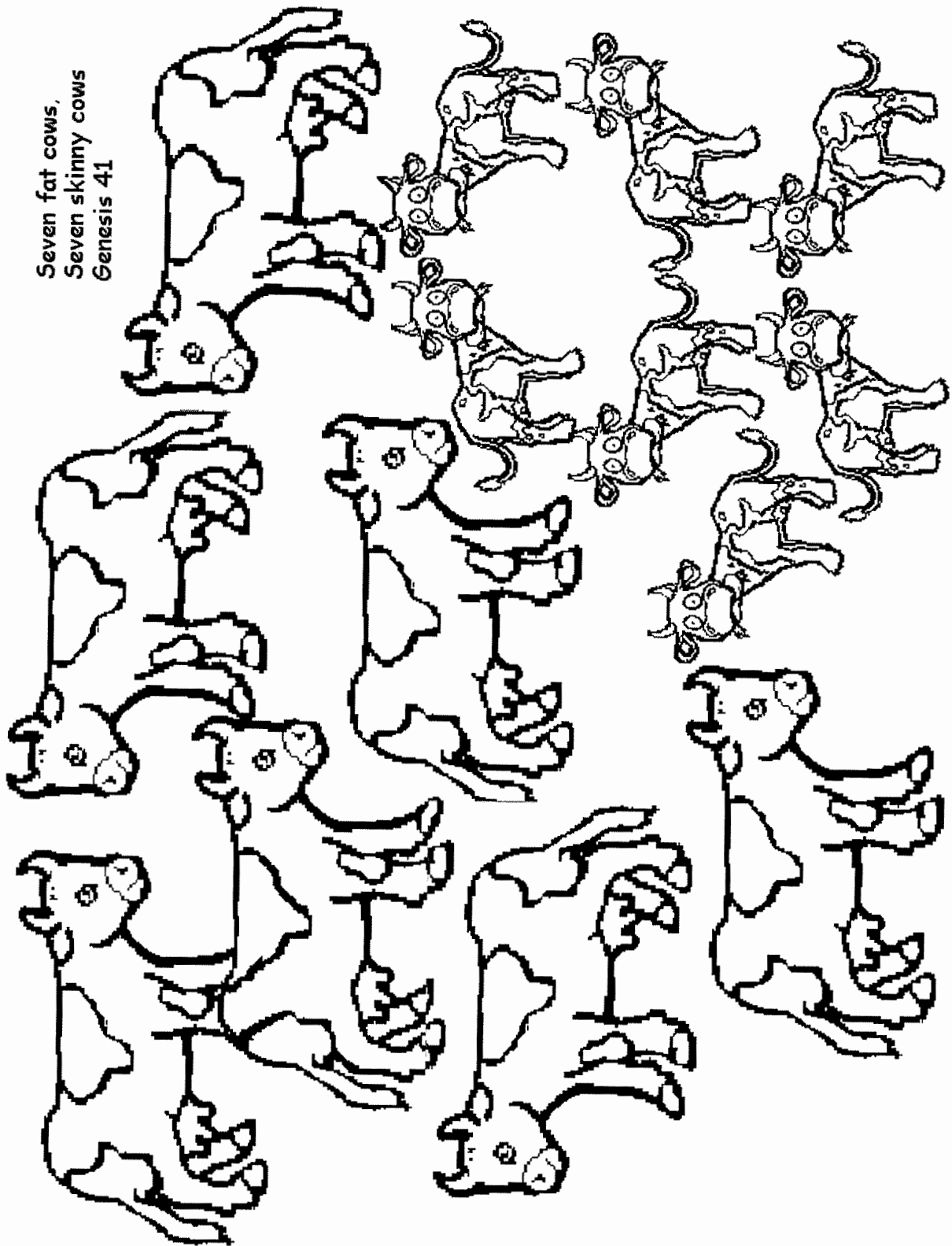


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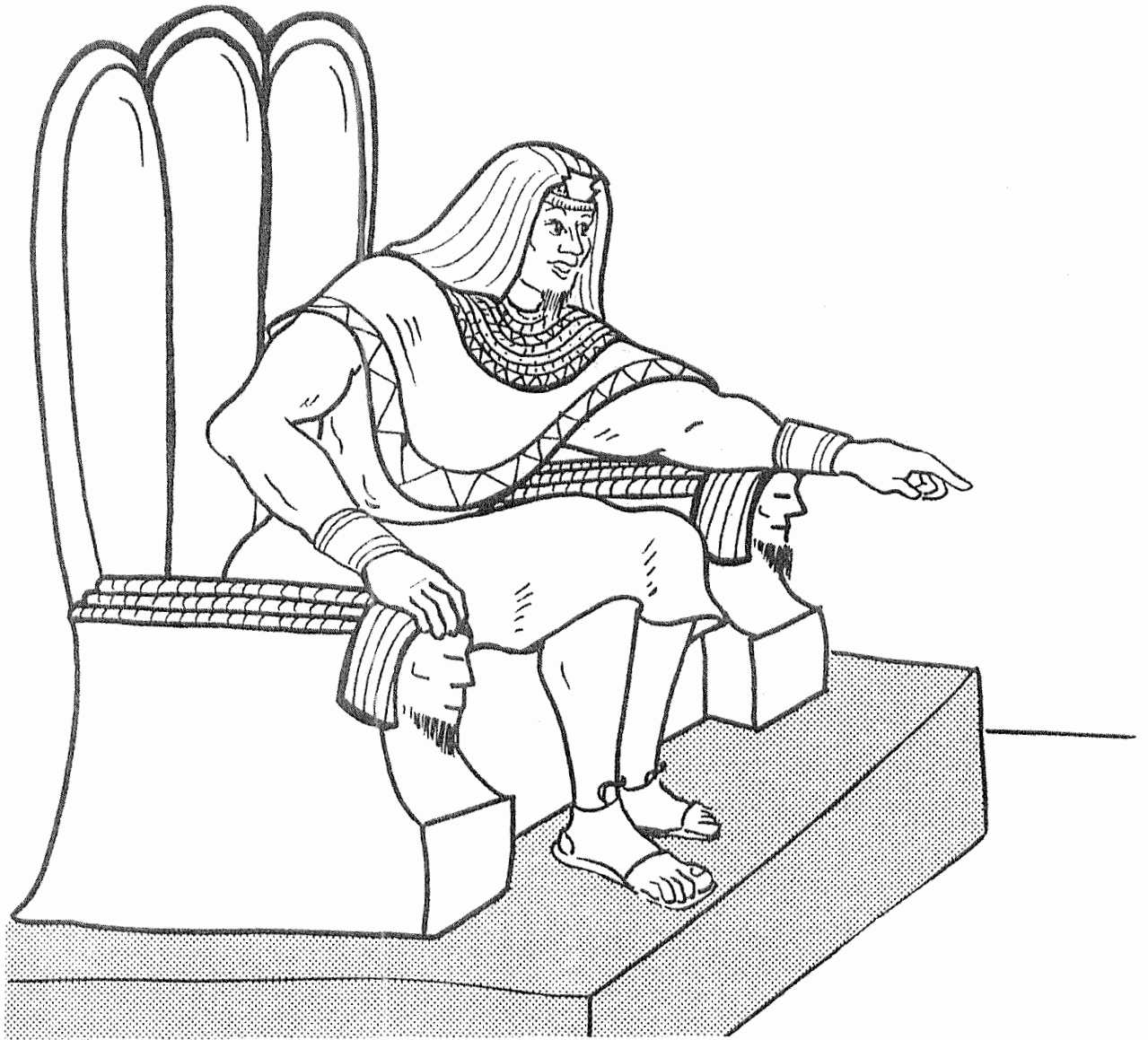
Seven fat cows,  
Seven skinny cows  
Genesis 41





The seven thin ears of corn devoured  
the seven good ears of corn.  
Genesis 41





As an adult, Joseph became a high official in Egypt.

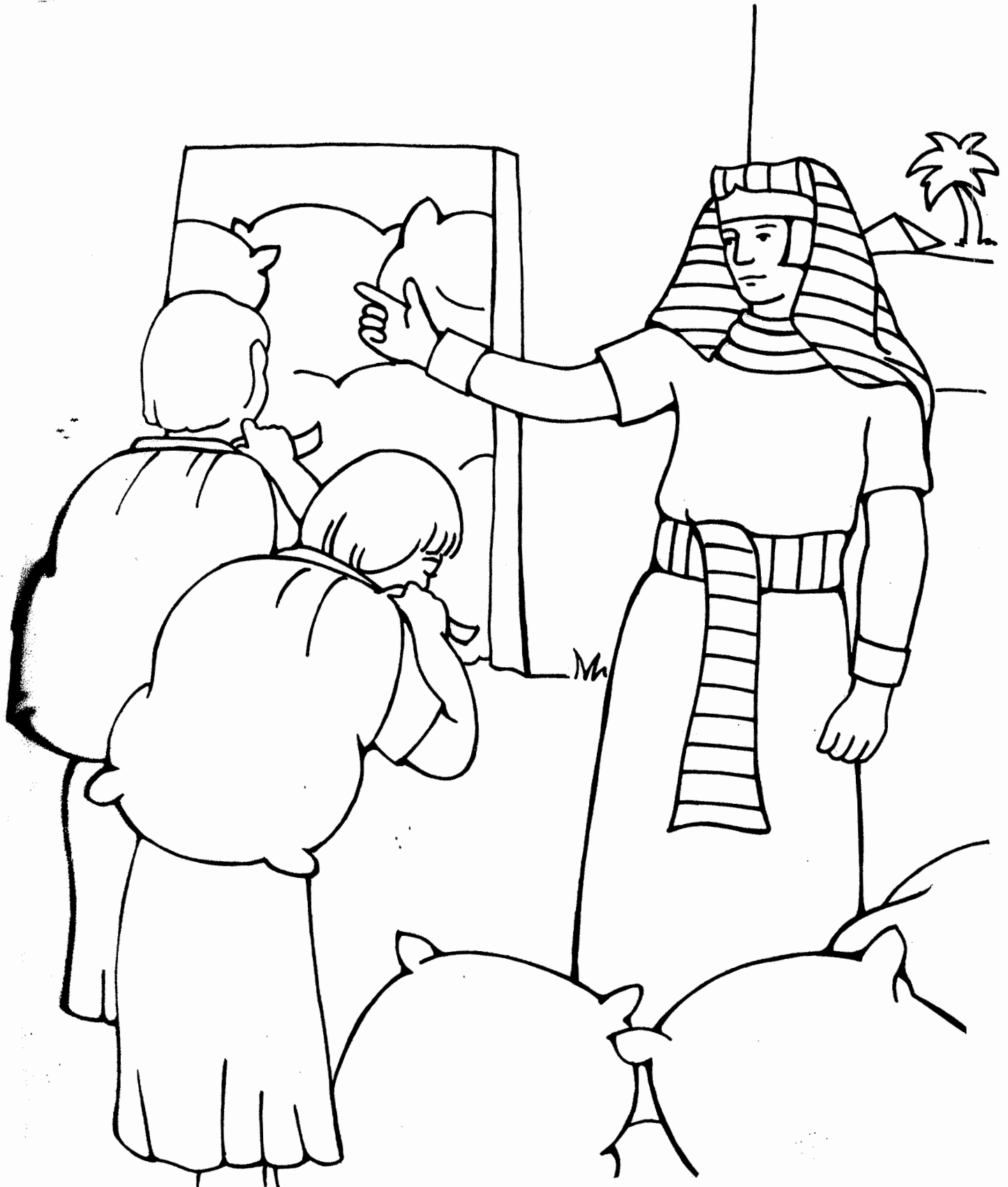
When a great famine came over the land, people came to Egypt  
from all over to buy food.

Jacob sent his sons to find food in Egypt.

Joseph welcomed his brothers and told them that  
they could make their home in Egypt.

GENESIS - Chapter 41, Verse 55; Chapter 42, Verse 3;  
Chapter 47, Verses 5-6

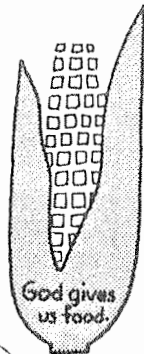
Genesis 41:36- "Then that food shall be as a reserve for the land for the seven years of famine which shall be in the land of Egypt, that the land may not perish during the famine."



## Lesson 9: God Gives Us Food

### CORN ON THE COB

or use  
popcorn



#### Materials:

Construction paper—green and yellow  
White paper  
Glue  
Paintbrush—1" wide  
Felt-tip pen  
Pattern—corn husk (page 37)

#### Directions:

Ahead of time, cut yellow construction paper into 1/2" squares (like mosaic tiles). Cut green husks using the pattern. Print the words *God gives us food* on the husks. Draw a corn-cob shape, about 2" wide and 8" long on the white paper.

Let the children place the yellow squares on the corn-cob shape. The best way to do this is for you to paint glue on the area with a wide paintbrush before the child begins. When the child has placed as many corn kernels as he wants, let him glue the husk over the kernels. You may want to add the Bible words to the craft.

#### Application:

Talk about different foods. Ask the children what their favorite foods are. Say something like, "*I am thankful God made (their favorite foods), aren't you?*"

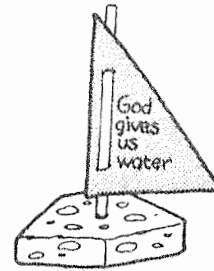
Use this also as a Thanksgiving craft.

Clear, adhesive-backed plastic  
Felt-tip pen  
Paper punch  
Crayons  
Patterns—boat and sail (pages 37, 38)

#### Directions:

Before the session, cut a boat out of a sponge for each child. Make a small hole in the sponge for the straw to fit into. Cut a sail for each child out of construction paper. Print the words *God gives us water* on one side of each sail. Cover both sides of the sails with the plastic to make the sails waterproof. Punch two holes on the long side of each sail, where indicated. Cut straws to 7" in length.

Let the children decorate their sails with crayons. (The wax will stick to the plastic.) Give each child a straw and help him put it through the holes in the sail. Help him put the straw in the hole in the sponge.



#### Application:

Tell the children they can sail their boats in the bathtub when they take their baths. Their boats will remind them to thank God for giving them water to use and to drink. If you have several large containers in your room, the children will enjoy sailing their boats as a learning activity. This activity requires close supervision, but the children love it. Provide plastic bags for taking the boats home.

This boat can be used with any lesson that has something to do with water or with boats, such as a story on the missionary journeys of Paul.

## Lesson 11: God Gives Us Clothes

## Lesson 10: God Gives Us Water

### BATHTUB BOAT

#### Materials:

Sponges—about 1" thick, 1 per child  
Drinking straws—1 per child  
Construction paper

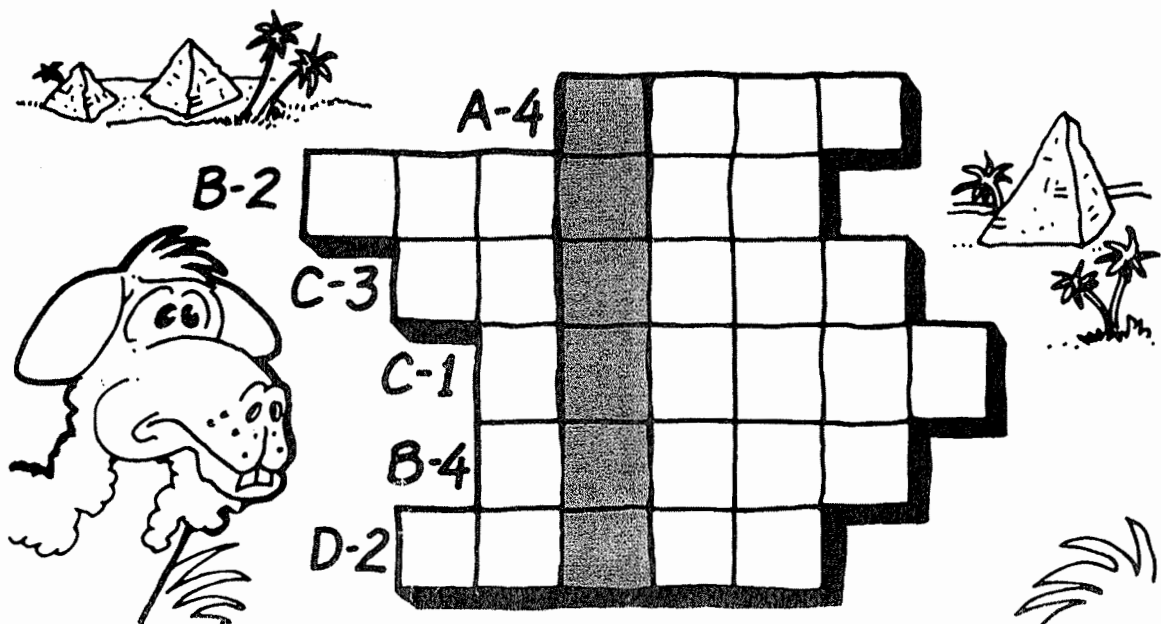
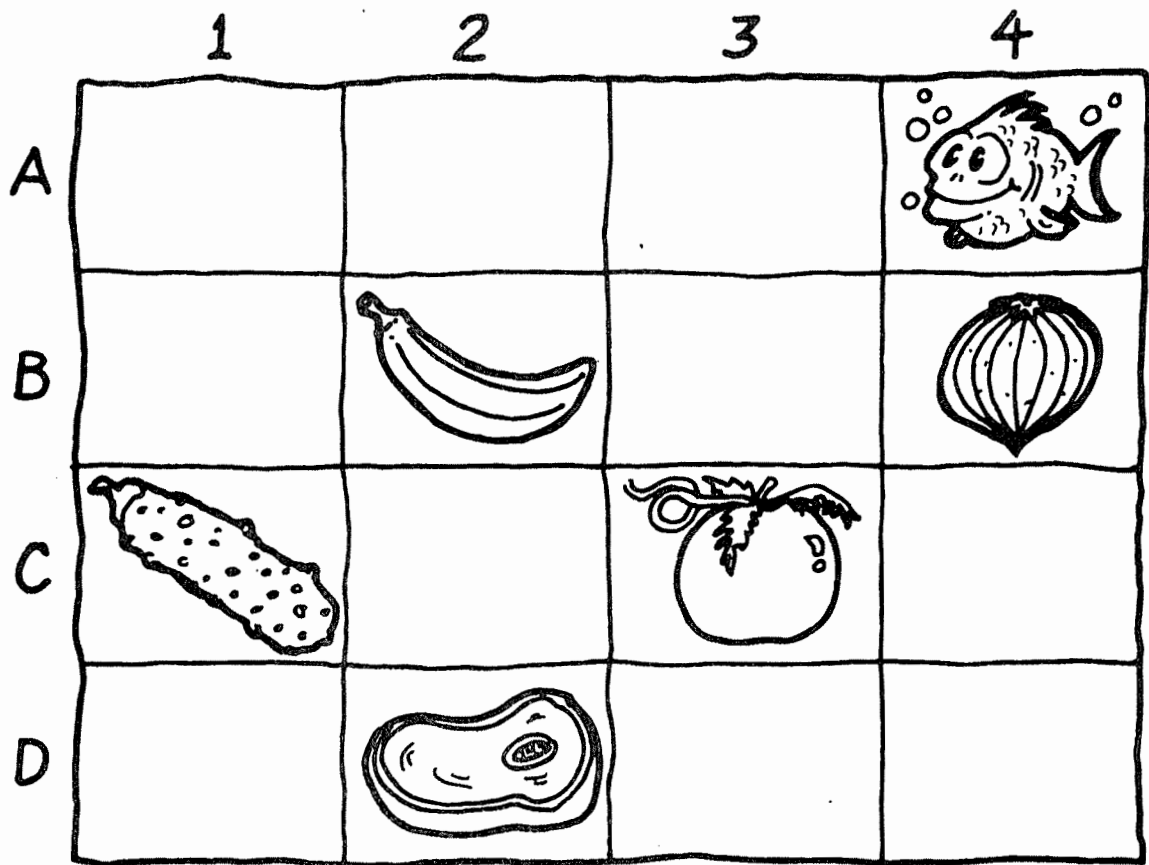
### PERSONALIZED T-SHIRT

#### Materials:

Construction paper  
Felt or fabric for letters  
Glue  
Felt-tip pen  
Crayons  
Pattern—T-shirt (page 38)

# Food for Thought

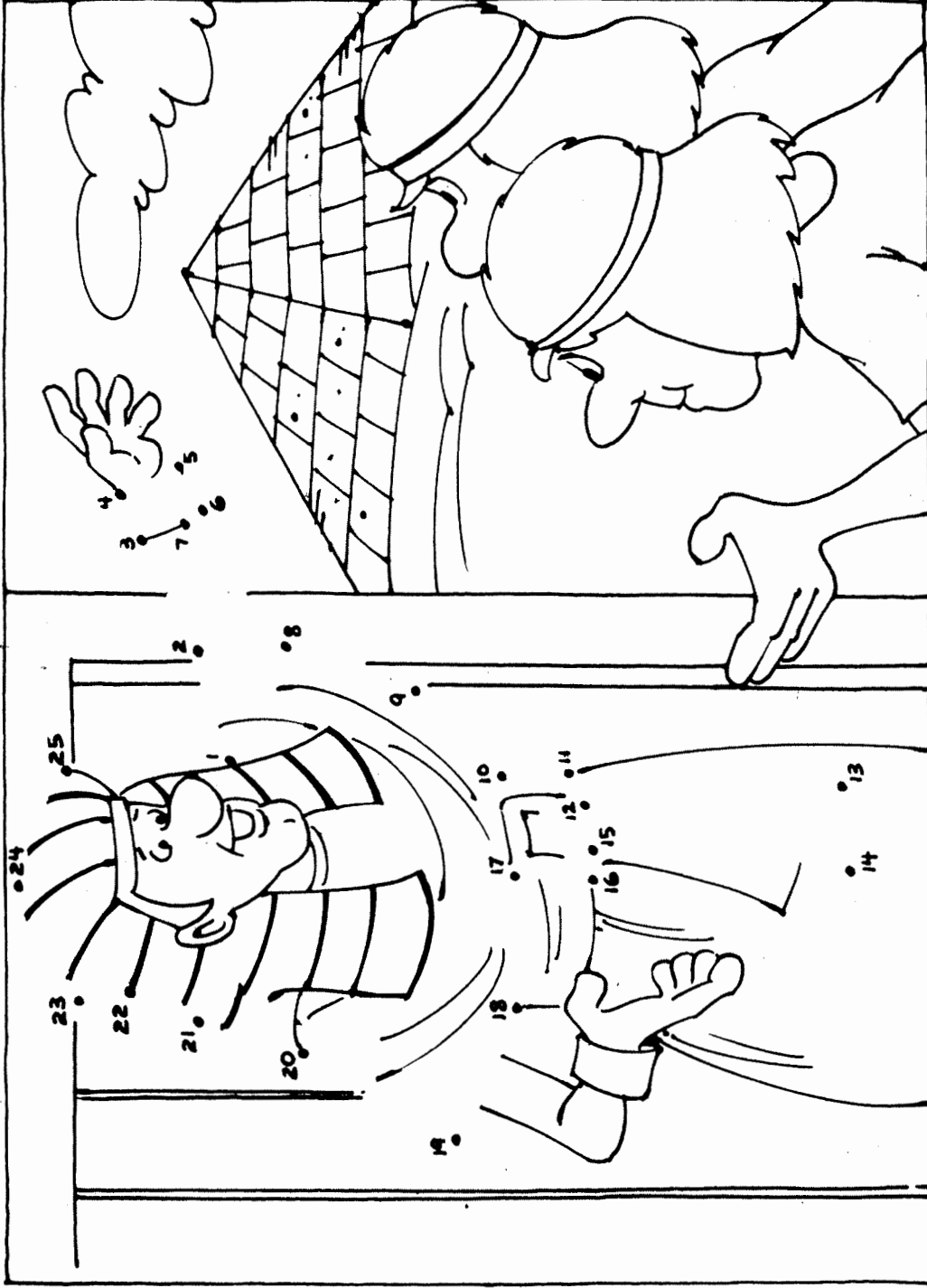
Read Genesis 41:38-43, 46-49, 53-57. Then write the food names from each square in the matching line of the acrostic puzzle. When complete, the shaded area will tell about the crisis Joseph warned Pharaoh was coming.



# A NEW JOB FOR JOSEPH

Genesis 41

**Beginning with #1, connect the dots to complete the picture.**



When the pharaoh of Egypt had a dream he didn't understand, God helped Joseph explain it. Pharaoh was so happy

that he released Joseph from prison and made him second-in-command over all of Egypt. Joseph went from being a prisoner to being a very powerful man.

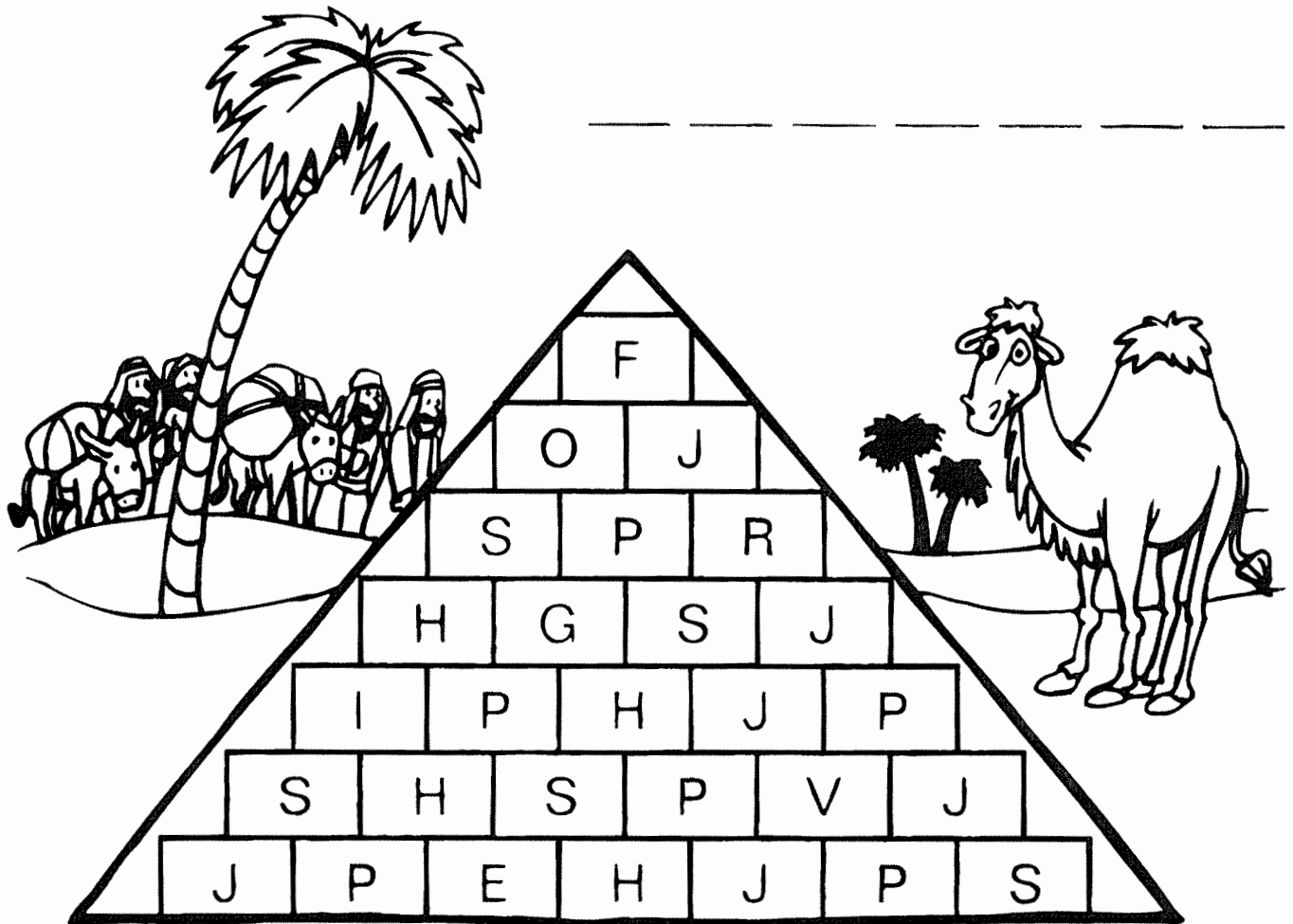
**Joseph  
Forgives  
His Brothers**

—Genesis 41–43, 45

**Be Like  
Joseph**

Joseph's brothers were not nice to him. They sold him to be a slave. They pretended he was dead. Much later, Joseph became a powerful leader in Egypt. When the brothers needed help, they went to Egypt. What did Joseph do?

Use a dark color to fill in all the bricks in the pyramid that have the letters J, S, P, and H. Copy the leftover letters, from top to bottom, onto the spaces below.



# GENESIS 41

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DOLT

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TANRESV

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INEFAM

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OGD

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JOSEPH HELPED THE PHARAOH BECAUSE  
HE COULD:

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HIS

○	○	○	○	○	○
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# Who's in Charge?

Read Genesis 41:15-57 about Joseph in Egypt. Then use the code to solve the puzzle. Find the letter in the message on the outside circle. Match it with the letter across from it on the inside circle.

Z R K B K Y R    C K S N    D Y    T Y C O Z R,    "C S X M O    Q Y N  
 R K C    W K N O    K V V    D R S C    U X Y G X    D Y    I Y E, . . .  
 S    R O B O L I    Z E D    I Y E    S X    M R K B Q O  
 Y P    D R O    G R Y V O    V K X N    Y P    O Q I Z D."



## JOSEPH INTERPRETS THE KING'S DREAMS (Genesis 41:1-36)

Unscramble the following words and use them to complete the sentences below.

GETPY

FICEH OKOC

ILAJ

UPT OT HEDAT

LINE VIRRE

WOSC

ASRSG

NISKNY

SALONERP VANTERS

SMEARD

SHOJEP

NEEVS SAYER

TYPLEN

GIVTRANS

1. Joseph was a slave in \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ was thrown in jail with Joseph.
3. Joseph, the king's personal servant, and the chief cook were in \_\_\_\_\_ together.
4. The chief cook was \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The king dreamed he was standing on the bank of the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The king dreamed about fat \_\_\_\_\_ eating the \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The king also dreamed about \_\_\_\_\_ cows eating the fat ones.
8. The king's \_\_\_\_\_ told the king about Joseph.
9. The king sent for Joseph because he wanted to know what his \_\_\_\_\_ meant.
10. God helped \_\_\_\_\_ to know what the dreams meant.
11. The king's dreams meant that there would be \_\_\_\_\_ of more than enough grain in Egypt, followed by not enough.
12. Joseph told the king there would be seven years of \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Joseph told the king that after that the Egyptian people would be \_\_\_\_\_.

