

Your Will Be Done – The Life of Joseph

Levels I and II

Teacher's Notes

Lesson 1 “Joseph – His Dreams – Sold Into Slavery” Gen. 37:1-8, 12-14, 17b-36

New Testament Reference Luke 4:16-30

Theme: ADVERSITY in the Christian's Life.

PREPARATION

Suggested helps in preparing for Lesson 1 “Joseph – His Dreams – Sold Into Slavery”

- Read Genesis 37:1-8, 12-14, 17b-36 and the New Testament reference Luke 4:16-30
- Read and know the INTRODUCTION.
- Gather the materials for the INTRODUCTION.
- Familiarize yourself with the BACKGROUND information.
- Study the lesson so you can tell it to the children without reading it.
- Read the passages in the KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT and study the key thoughts.
- Read and know the APPLICATION.

MATERIALS: Pictures of hardships children may face such as:

- Feeling sick or in the hospital.
- Falling off a bike or getting hurt on the playground.
- Being bullied.

A picture of Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane (for the application section).

INTRODUCTION

Begin by showing the pictures of children facing hardships.

-What has happened here? (Answers vary for each picture.)

-How do you think this child feels? (Sad, hurt, angry, etc.)

-Have you ever had anything bad like this happen to you? (Try to keep this discussion brief but take some of their examples.)

-How did you feel when that happened? (Answers vary.)

-Why do you think these bad things sometimes happen to each of us? (They happen because of sin.)

-What is sin? (Sin is the bad things that we think, do and say. Sin breaks God's commandments.)

-Do we need to be afraid of these troubles or bad things that might happen? (No.)
-Why not? (Because Jesus our Savior has gone through hardships too and He is always with us.)

This week we are going to learn about a man named Joseph. Today we will learn about the troubles he had but we will also learn that God was with him to help him.

BACKGROUND

Simply and briefly tell students the following background information about Joseph.

- Jacob lived in Canaan and had 12 sons and some daughters.
- Jacob was a rich man and had many flocks of sheep and goats which his sons helped care for.
- Jacob loved Joseph more than his other children and gave him a coat made of beautiful material of many colors.
- Joseph's mother died when he was about 12 years old.

KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT IN THE LESSON

- Joseph's brothers hated him because he was their father's favorite – Gen. 37:3-4
- Joseph dreamed two special dreams which were from God. They showed what would happen many years later. Joseph's brothers were angry when they thought about bowing down to Joseph as if he would rule over them – Gen. 37:5-8
- Joseph's brothers had moved the flocks very far from home to find good pasture land. Jacob sent Joseph all that long way by himself to make sure his brothers and the flocks were okay – Gen. 37:12-14
- The brothers' hatred of Joseph led to planning sinful actions. When they saw Joseph coming they decided to kill him and tell their father a wild animal had killed him. Reuben wanted to save Joseph but he still let Joseph be thrown into the pit – Gen. 37:18-24
- Judah changed their plan of murder to selling Joseph to the traveling traders for about \$50.00 in today's money – Gen. 37:25-28
- The brothers lied to Jacob and showed him Joseph's robe which they dipped in blood and Jacob cried for Joseph for a long time – Gen. 37:29-35
- Joseph was taken to Egypt and sold to a man named Potiphar but God still remembered Joseph - Gen. 37:36
- Read Psalm 50:15, Matthew 28:20b and Romans 8:28 and explain how these passages applied to Joseph and how they apply to us. (God was with Joseph and He is with us.)
- New Testament Reference – Luke 4:16-30 **Some things which happened to Joseph remind us very much of our Savior Jesus. Even Jesus, the Son of God, faced troubles when he lived here on earth.**
- **When Jesus preached in His own hometown of Nazareth the people became so angry that they tried to throw Him off of a cliff to kill Him! But Jesus walked right through the angry crowd.**

Joseph faced troubles in his life when he was sold into slavery in Egypt but God was with him to help him. Jesus also faced troubles in this sinful world and finished God's plan to save us.

APPLICATION

- What troubles did Joseph face in our lesson today?** (His brothers hated him, took his coat, threw him in a pit, sold him into slavery and made his father believe he was dead.)
- How do you think Joseph felt in that pit?** (Scared, sad, hurt, worried, etc.)
- How do you think he felt when he was sold and taken to a far away land?** (Very scared, worried, sad, lonely, etc.)
- Why did this happen to Joseph?** (Because of sin, his brothers' hatred and sinful actions, and also to finish a plan that God had for him.)
- Who was still with Joseph even in Egypt?** (God.)
- Will you probably have troubles in your life?** (Yes.)
- What are some troubles you might have?** (Again, take only a few examples.)
- Why do bad things happen to all of us?** (Because of sin in the world, because of a plan God has for us.)
- Even Jesus faced troubles, especially when all the people hated him and wanted to kill Him.** *Show the picture of Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane.* **But Jesus prayed to God and asked Him for strength to do what God knew was best for all people. Do you know what Jesus did for you?** (Died on the cross to take away ALL your sins.)
- This was God's will or God's plan for Jesus.**
- Because Jesus took away your sins where will you go when you die?** (To heaven.)
- What can we do when bad things happen to us here on earth?** (Pray to Jesus to help us, trust in God to stay with us and help us, and pray that God's will be done in our life.)
- This week we will see how God took care of Joseph and we will learn more about how He still takes care of us in this sinful world.**

Close with a prayer asking God for help in all of our troubles and thanking Him for sending Jesus to take away all our sins.

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Lesson 2 “Joseph Says No”-- Potiphar's Wife Attempts Seduction Gen. 39:1-23

New Testament Reference Matt. 4:1-11 and Luke 4:1-13

Theme: TEMPTATION in the Christian's Life.

PREPARATION

Suggested helps in preparing for Lesson 2 “Joseph Says No”

- Read Genesis 39:1-23 and the New Testament references Matthew 4:1-11 and Luke 4:1-13.
- Read and know the INTRODUCTION.
- Gather the materials for the INTRODUCTION and APPLICATION.
- Familiarize yourself with the BACKGROUND and REVIEW information.
- Study the lesson so you can tell it to the children without reading it.
- Read the passages in the KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT and study the key thoughts.
- Read and know the APPLICATION.

MATERIALS:

- A picture of children bullying another child.
- A Bible.

INTRODUCTION

Begin by showing the picture of the children being mean.

-Let's pretend that you were with these friends one day and a few of them wanted to be mean to another child. All of your friends started calling this child names or maybe even started pushing him around. Then one of your friends asked you to join them in being mean to that child. What would you do? (Answers will vary; lead to the answer that they would want to say no to their friends.)

-Why shouldn't we want to be mean to someone else? (It can hurt them, it can hurt their feelings, we don't like it when others are mean to us, God wants us to love all people and not be mean to them.)

-In this pretend story someone was asking you to do something wrong. Do you remember the word we learned yesterday for the wrong things we might think, say or do? (Sin.)

-Does God want us to sin? (No.) Why not? (It is against His commandments, He wants us to show our love to Him by obeying Him.)

-What is the punishment for sin? (Death forever in hell.)

-Who took our place and suffered that punishment for us? (Jesus died on the cross to take away all our sins and take us to heaven.)

Today we will learn more about Joseph and how he said NO to someone when she wanted him to sin. We will also learn more about our Savior Jesus who said NO to every sin so He could save us from our sins.

BACKGROUND/REVIEW

Simply and briefly tell students the following background information and review lesson 1 of Joseph.

- Joseph's brothers hated him because he was their father's favorite.
- Joseph was sold to slave traders who took him to Egypt, far away from his home and family.
- In Egypt the ruler was called the Pharaoh and he was very powerful.
- Many people in Egypt bought other people and made them work as slaves for them. This is what happened to Joseph.

KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT IN THE LESSON

- Joseph was bought by a rich man in Egypt named Potiphar. Potiphar worked for the Pharaoh as a captain of Pharaoh's soldiers – Gen. 39:1
- God was still watching over Joseph and blessed all the hard work he did for Potiphar – Gen. 39:2
- Potiphar knew of Joseph's faith in God and saw that God was with Joseph. He trusted Joseph and put him in charge of everything in his house – Gen. 39:6
- Soon Potiphar's wife noticed Joseph was handsome and she wanted Joseph to act like her husband and sin with her. She tried to get Joseph to sin but he said "no" because he loved God and wanted to obey his master also – Gen. 39:7-10
- Potiphar's wife tried again and again to get Joseph to sin with her. One day she even grabbed his coat. Joseph ran away and left his coat behind – Gen. 39:11-12
- Potiphar's wife was so angry that she lied about Joseph and said that he had tried to make her sin. Potiphar believed her and Joseph was sent to prison – Gen. 39:13-20
- Even though it seemed like Joseph was all alone in prison, God was still with him. He blessed Joseph and caused him to be in charge of almost everyone in the prison – Gen. 39:21-23
- Read Genesis 39:9, 2 Timothy 2:22 and I Corinthians 10:13 and explain how these passages applied to Joseph and how they apply to us. (With God's help Joseph said no to temptation. With God's help we can say no to temptation also.)
- New Testament Reference – Matthew 4:1-11 and Luke 4:1-13 **Jesus our Savior was also tempted while He lived on earth. He was not a sinner like Joseph, you and me. But the devil wanted Jesus to sin so we would not be saved and he could take us all to hell with him.**
- **The devil tried to get Jesus to sin in many different ways but Jesus used Bible passages to say no to the devil every time.**

**Joseph said no to temptation
while he was in Potiphar's house
even though he suffered for it.
Jesus said no to every temptation
and took all our sins away by
dying on the cross.**

APPLICATION

-We have learned from Joseph that bad things can happen in a believer's life. What bad things happened to Joseph? (His brothers hated him, threw him in a pit, sold him into slavery and made his father believe he was dead, he was forced to work as a slave for Potiphar, then he was thrown into prison.)

-Was Joseph all alone through all of these bad things? (No, God was with him.)

-How do we know? (The Bible tells us God was with him and blessed all that he did.)

-Do bad things happen to you sometimes? (Yes.)

-Does this mean that God has left you alone? (No.)

-Why not? (He promises to always be with us to help us in our troubles too.)

-Potiphar's wife tried many, many times to get Joseph to sin with her. Why did Joseph say no to her? (He loved God and knew it would be a sin, he wanted to obey his master Potiphar and do what was right, he knew God was with him and he wanted to show his love for God by obeying Him.)

-What else did Joseph do when he was asked to sin? (He ran away.)

-What did Jesus do when the devil tempted Him to sin? *Hold up your Bible.* (He used Bible passages to tell the devil no.)

-What are some sins you might be tempted to do? (Answers will vary; take things that are not yours, lie, hurt someone with your words or actions, be lazy, disobey parents or teachers, etc.)

-Let's pretend again that your friends are asking you to be mean to another child. What can you do to say no to them? (Be like Joseph and say "No, I don't want to sin against God", use Bible passages like Jesus did to help you say no to sin, pray to God for help in saying no, and also run away from sin.)

-Joseph was not perfect, he was a sinner like us. We know that we still do sin every day. What should we do when we have sinned? (Be sorry for our sins and pray to Jesus for His forgiveness.)

-Why was it so important that Jesus said no to all sin? (Because His perfect life and death paid for all of our sins and means we will live in heaven forever with Him.)

This week we will learn more about God's plan for Joseph in Egypt and His plan for Jesus to be our Savior from sin.

Close with a prayer asking God for strength to say no to sin and asking for forgiveness for all of our sins.

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Lesson 3 “Joseph Provides For His Brothers” Gen. 42:6-8, 25-28; 43:16-24, 33-34; 45:1-11

New Testament Reference Luke 23:39-49

Theme: BLESSINGS to others by living a Christian Life.

PREPARATION

Suggested helps in preparing for Lesson 3 “Joseph Provides For His Brothers.”

- Read the Bible account found in the selected verses of Genesis 42, 43, and 45.
- Read and know the INTRODUCTION.
- Gather the materials for the INTRODUCTION.
- Familiarize yourself with the BACKGROUND information.
- Study the lesson so you can tell it to the children without reading it.
- Read the passages in the KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT and study the key thoughts.
- Read and know the APPLICATION.

MATERIALS:

- A child's shirt.
- A piece of fruit.
- A child's book or some other toy, or have pictures of these items, or a picture of a family eating together.

INTRODUCTION

- What did you put on this morning before you came to VBS? (Clothes.)
- Like this shirt! (Show clothing.)
- What did you have to eat for breakfast? (Answers vary.)
- We all get many good things to eat, like this fruit. (Show food item.)
- What other things do you have at home besides food and clothes? (Answers vary.)
- We all have many fun things to enjoy such as books and toys. (Show fun item.)
- Now where did you get all of these things from? (Store, Mom & Dad, etc.)
- How did your parents get them? (Bought them.)
- Where did your parents get the money to buy things? (From working, job, etc.)

-Yes, God gives people jobs to do so they can earn money to buy good things for their families.

-How else can you get things? For instance at holidays or birthdays? (As presents or gifts.)

-We get many good things from God---clothes, food, and fun things. These things help take care of us and we can also share them with other people.

In today's lesson we will hear how Joseph shared what God had given him with his brothers.

BACKGROUND

Simply and briefly tell students the following background information about Joseph.

- God gave Joseph the ability to understand dreams.
- God let Joseph know about the coming good years and bad years so he could store up food.
- It is easy to see why Joseph's brothers wouldn't recognize him---different dress, language his powerful position, they weren't expecting to see him, several years had already gone by. Joseph had grown up into a man.

KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT IN THE LESSON

- Putting the money back in the sacks was not only a test of the brothers, but a way to provide for their families back home --- Gen. 42:25-28
- Joseph treated his brothers kindly by feeding them and providing their donkeys with food --- Gen. 43:16-24, 33-34
- 1 Corinthians 10:28 "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."
- James 1:17 "Every good gift and perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights."
- Psalm 25:10 "All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth, to such as keep His covenant and His testimonies."
- Luke 3:11 "He who has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise."
- Romans 12:20 "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink."
- Romans 5:8 "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Joseph was a blessing to his brothers by forgiving and loving them and providing food for them and their families. We can be a blessing to others by living a Christian life. Jesus provided the greatest blessing for us when He loved us so much that He willingly died on the cross to pay for the guilt and punishment of our sins.

APPLICATION

-Why did Joseph's brothers sell him into slavery? (They hated him, were jealous.)

-Yes, Joseph's brothers wanted to be mean to him, perhaps even see him die, but Joseph continued to work for the Lord and live a Christian life.

-How did God reward Joseph for his faithful work? (He became ruler, had much food and money.)

-What did Joseph do with the good things God gave to him? (Shared them with his brothers, their families, and his father.)

-It was God's plan for Joseph to be a blessing to his family and to help his father Jacob and his brothers. God works all things out for good to those who love Him.

-God showed His great love for us by sending His Son to take our place and live and die for us.

-Jesus loved us so much that He came to live a perfect life in our place and He took our eternal punishment upon Himself by dying on the cross.

Close with a prayer thanking God for giving us all of the wonderful things He has, food, clothes, things to share. We especially thank Him for sending Jesus to die on the cross and save us from our sins. We ask that God would help us share this message with others.

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Lesson 4 “Joseph Forgives His Brothers” Gen. 50:15-21

New Testament Reference Luke 23:32-38

Theme: FORGIVENESS in the Christian's Life

PREPARATION

Suggested helps in preparing for Lesson 4 “Joseph Forgives His Brothers”

- Read the Bible account found in the selected verses of Genesis 42, 43, and 45.
- Read and know the INTRODUCTION.
- Gather the materials for the INTRODUCTION.
- Familiarize yourself with the BACKGROUND information.
- Study the lesson so you can tell it to the children without reading it.
- Read the passages in the KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT and study the key thoughts.
- Read and know the APPLICATION.

MATERIALS:

- A broken toy or other object.
- A picture of two people arguing/fighting.
- A picture of two people hugging or shaking hands.

INTRODUCTION

-How might you feel if this broken toy were yours? (Sad)

-How might you feel if someone broke it on purpose? (mad, angry)

-(Show picture of people arguing)

-Sometimes when someone does something mean to us or isn't nice to us we are tempted to get angry or we want to 'get them back'.

-Jesus, however, doesn't want us to be angry with other people. He wants us to forgive people when they do mean things.

In today's lesson we will hear how God helped Joseph forgive his brothers for their sins.

BACKGROUND

Simply and briefly tell students the following background information about Joseph.

- After seeing his dreams come true, Joseph was surely tempted to “get back at his brothers” or at least lord his position over them. Jesus also was tempted “in all points” as we are, yet He never sinned.
- Joseph remembered his loving, Holy God (as when he ran from Potiphar's wife) and showed forgiveness to his brothers.
- Joseph trusted that even when people intend evil against us, God will use it for good.

KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT IN THE LESSON

- After Jacob died Joseph's brothers thought that Joseph would now repay them for the evil that they had done to him --- Gen. 50:15
- Joseph assured his brothers that he had forgiven them --- Gen. 50:19-21
- Joseph had learned that God had turned the evil into good for Joseph and his brothers and their families --- Gen. 50:19-21
- 1 John 7:20-21 “If someone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God loves his brother also.”
- Romans 12:17-21 “Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men. Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, 'Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,' says the Lord. Therefore 'If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head.' Do not be overcome with evil, but overcome evil with good.”
- Romans 8:28 “And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.”
- 1 John 4:7-8 “Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.”
- 1 John 4:9-11 “In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation (full payment) for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.”

**We forgive others because Jesus
forgives us.**

APPLICATION

-How were Joseph's brothers mean to him? (Sold him into slavery)

-Yes, they didn't care if he lived or died.

-Joseph had to live apart from his family for many, many years.

-When Joseph's brothers came to Egypt what dream of Joseph's came true? (They would bow to him)

-What could Joseph have done to his brothers since he was the ruler of Egypt? (Be mean to them, put them in jail, punish them)

-It must have been a temptation for Joseph to take revenge and get back at his brothers for what they had done to him. Instead, how did Joseph treat them? (Forgave them, took care of them)

-Joseph remembered that God forgave all of his sins, so Joseph also forgave his brothers their sins. (Show picture of people hugging or shaking hands)

-When we remember that Jesus has taken all of our sins to the cross and has forgiven us for all of them, it leads us to be willing to forgive other people.

Close with a prayer thanking Jesus for forgiving all our sins. Ask Jesus to help us to be loving and forgiving toward others.

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Lesson 5 “Joseph Goes Home” Gen. 50:22-26, Ex. 13:19, Heb. 11:22
New Testament References Mat. 28:1-10; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-9
Theme: FINAL VICTORY in the Christian's life.

PREPARATION

Suggested helps in preparing for Lesson 5 “Joseph Goes Home”

- Read Genesis 50:22-26, Exodus 13:19, and Hebrews 11:22.
- Read and know the INTRODUCTION.
- Gather the materials for the INTRODUCTION.
- Familiarize yourself with the BACKGROUND information.
- Study the lesson so you can tell it to the children without reading it.
- Read the passages in the KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT and study the key thoughts.
- Read and know the APPLICATION.

MATERIALS:

- 2 Blank pieces of paper and pencil for each child (Level 2)
- A blank piece of paper and pencil for you the teacher (Level 1)
- Map of Egypt and Canaan, or draw a simple outline of each country on paper or white board for the Background and the Story

INTRODUCTION

-Today our lesson is called “Joseph Goes Home”

Level 2

-Before we begin I would like each one of you to draw a picture of your home
Hand out paper and pencils and give them about 3-5 minutes to draw

Level 1

-Before I tell you the story I want you to guess what I am about to draw
Draw a simple picture of a house
-What did I draw? (A house or home.)
-What is a home? (A place where you live with your family.)

- Where is your home? (Street address, city, state, or country are acceptable answers.)
- What makes your home special? (Possible answers: my family lives there, we have a swimming pool, etc.)

Level 2 option

You may want to look at and talk about the students' drawings and what makes each one different or special

-Did you know that you have another home?

-This home is the most special and most wonderful home you will ever have.

- In our story today we will find out where this home is. Joseph also goes to this wonderful home in our story today. Listen to find out where this REAL home is and how we get to this REAL home.

BACKGROUND

Simply and briefly tell students the following background information:

- Review briefly the previous lesson.
- Joseph and his brothers' families now live in the good land of Egypt. (*show picture of Egypt*)
- His father Jacob made Joseph promise to take his dead body back to Canaan to be buried. (*show picture of Canaan*)
- Jacob reminded Joseph that God would bring Joseph and his brothers' families back to the promised land of Canaan.
- Jesus is the Savior promised to Joseph and all believers who would be born in this promised land of Canaan.
- Jesus died on the cross to take away the sins of all people.
- Jesus rose from the dead which means that we will also rise from the dead.

KEY THOUGHTS TO PRESENT IN THE LESSON

- Joseph helped the people of Egypt to stay alive during the years of the famine --- Gen 47:25
- God blessed Joseph's life in Egypt and two of his sons were promised a share in the land of Canaan --- Gen 48:15-21
- Joseph wanted his body to be buried in Canaan --- Gen 50:25
- Joseph had faith in God's promises---
 - 1) He believed that his people would go "home" to Canaan---
 - 2) He believed that Jesus would come to save all people from their sins and take them "home" to heaven --- Hebrews 11:22
- The children of Israel took Joseph's bones back to Canaan --- Exodus 13:19
- Joseph's faith in Jesus (who died to take away his sin and rose from the dead) meant that Joseph was taken to his home in heaven when he died --- John 11:25-26

Our real home is in heaven. When we die believing in Jesus as our Savior from sin, He will take us to our heavenly home.

TELL STORY

Point to each country as you come across them in the story. You may want to label a piece of paper with the word HEAVEN on it for the part in which Joseph goes home to heaven.

APPLICATION

- Raise your hand if you heard where Joseph's real home was and where our real home is?
- Where is our real home? (Heaven.)
- What two places or countries on earth did Joseph have homes? (Egypt and Canaan.)
- What did he do at his home in Egypt? (He helped the people stay alive during the famine.)
- How did God bless Joseph in Egypt? (Answers include: He gave him wealth, courage, love and the ability to forgive his brothers, blessed him with two sons that would receive land in Canaan.)
- What home did he want his body to be buried in? (Canaan) Why? (He believed God's promise that his people would go "home" to Canaan.)
- Was Joseph's body taken to Canaan? (Yes.) How? (His bones were carried back to Canaan.)
- What real home did Joseph go to when he died? (Heaven.)
- Why was Joseph taken to heaven? (Because he believed in Jesus.)
- What did Jesus do for Joseph and for us? (He died on the cross to take away all of our sins and the sins of all people and rose from the dead.)
- Which home was better, Joseph's earthly homes or his home in heaven? (Home in heaven.)
- Where is our real home? (Heaven.)
- When we die, how will we get to our real home in heaven? (By believing that Jesus died and rose from the dead to take away our sins.)
- Why is our heavenly home better than our earthly home? (We will be with Jesus forever and it will be perfect in heaven.)
- How will you feel in our heavenly home? (Perfectly Happy.)

-Jesus describes our heavenly home as a mansion prepared for each one of us. (John 14:1-4)
In heaven, there will be no crying, no pain, no sadness; it will be perfect and wonderful!
We look forward to the day we get to be in this wonderful home! (Revelation 21:1-4)
-Let's pray to Jesus thanking Him for giving us this wonderful home and for our faith in Him. Let's ask Him to keep us strong in this faith until we are taken home to heaven.

Close with a prayer thanking Jesus for our earthly home, for our faith in Him, and for our heavenly home. Also ask Him to keep all of us here today in this faith until we are taken to heaven.

Level 2 option

Have the student draw a picture of themselves in their heavenly home.

