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### Understanding

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3. Genesis 41:46-52. How is it that Joseph doesn't end up in a bitter place? What do you learn about God from all these verses in Genesis?
4. How do you see Joseph developing over the course of his life?

### Living

1. How do you respond when people ask, "why do bad things happen to good people"?
2. Looking back at your life, can you see how God has developed you during dark times?
3. Who has God used to comfort/encourage you during those dark times?
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