

## Fruits of the Spirit - Patience

### Equipment needed:

- Printer (all resources attached need printing- if you do not have access to a printer, please contact [vicarjohnny@gmail.com](mailto:vicarjohnny@gmail.com))
- Colour pens/pencils
- Pipe cleaners (not essential)
- Scissors
- Glue
- Sweets

### Passage/Story:

Video and discussion notes are attached. Use the wondering questions with the children to help them understand and reflect on the story.

### Worship Song/Dance:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rezg4jYFoj0>

### Craft:

Today we are going to make an image of Joseph in the prison cell, and create a reminder that God will always provide for us. (Page 5 has a template to show where all pieces need to be go).

- 1) Children can colour round the sheet with the 4 prisoners printed (this sheet will be where you stick all other pieces of the craft).
- 2) Children are to colour in the strips (on page 4 - stating God provided for Joseph and will provide for us). Then cut these strips out. But the one that reads 'God provided for Joseph even when he was in prison' at the top of the sheet of 4 prisoners. Then stick the second strips regarding God providing for us at the bottom of this sheet.
- 3) Stick pipe cleaners vertically down the page to represent the prison cell (if you do not have pipe cleaners, cut strips of paper as an alternative)

### Activity:

A colouring sheet is attached.

A word search is attached.

### Game:

Sweets again (yum!) - This is always a tough challenge (for the adults as well). Offer everyone a sweet but tell them they are not allowed to eat it for two whole minutes. If they are patient and do not eat the sweet, then reward them with a second sweet.

Remind them that when we live the way God wants us to, then he will reward us. God knows it's not always easy to do the right thing ALL the time, so when we do the right thing when we really don't want to - God rewards us because he's really happy with us.

## Joy - Joseph in Egypt

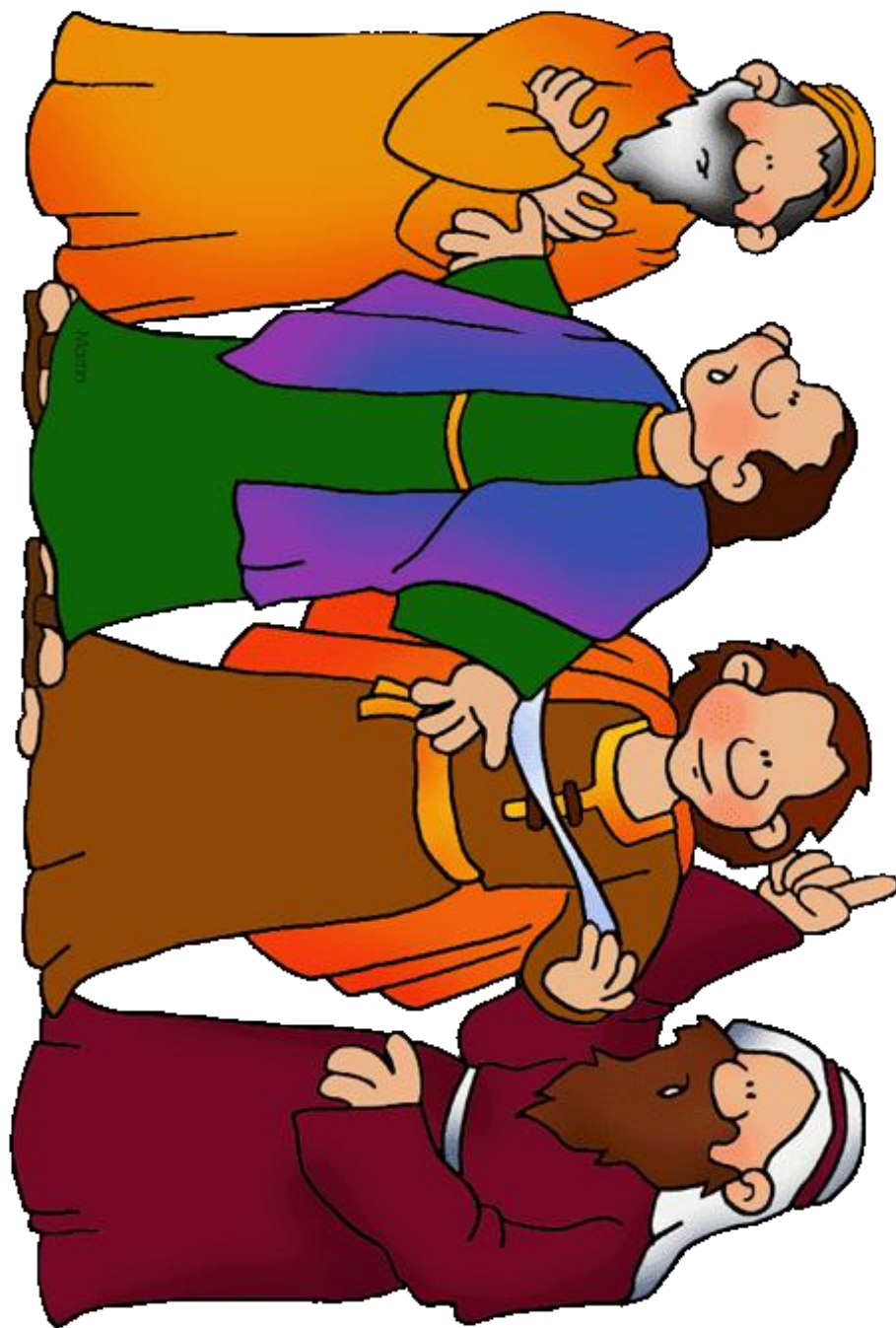
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSCAXrEmRRA>

### Wondering Questions:

- Recap fruit of the spirit: Can you remember all the fruits of the spirit? Say as many as you remember! (*Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control*)
- What does being patient mean?
- How important do you think it is to be patient?
- How do you think you would feel if you had to run away somewhere you didn't know?
- Should Joseph have argued with Potephah and proved he was innocent?
- How excited do you think Joseph was when he was released from Prison to help look after Egypt?
- Are there certain situations that cause you to lose patience?
- What can we do to become more patient?

You see, Joseph had been through some really hard times in his life. He had to run away from his home because his brothers were so horrible to him! He found somewhere he did well in and was able to smile and laugh, until Potephah's wife lied about Joseph! Before Joseph knew it, he was in prison, scared and alone! However, because of what a Godly man Joseph was, he had talents and gifts that led to him helping the Pharaoh (and he is VERY important, he is the leader of Egypt)! Joseph soon became very important and was rewarded by God for his patience. Joseph was patient throughout all his troubles, and waited for God to make things better. He didn't get angry and do naughty things, he remained patient!

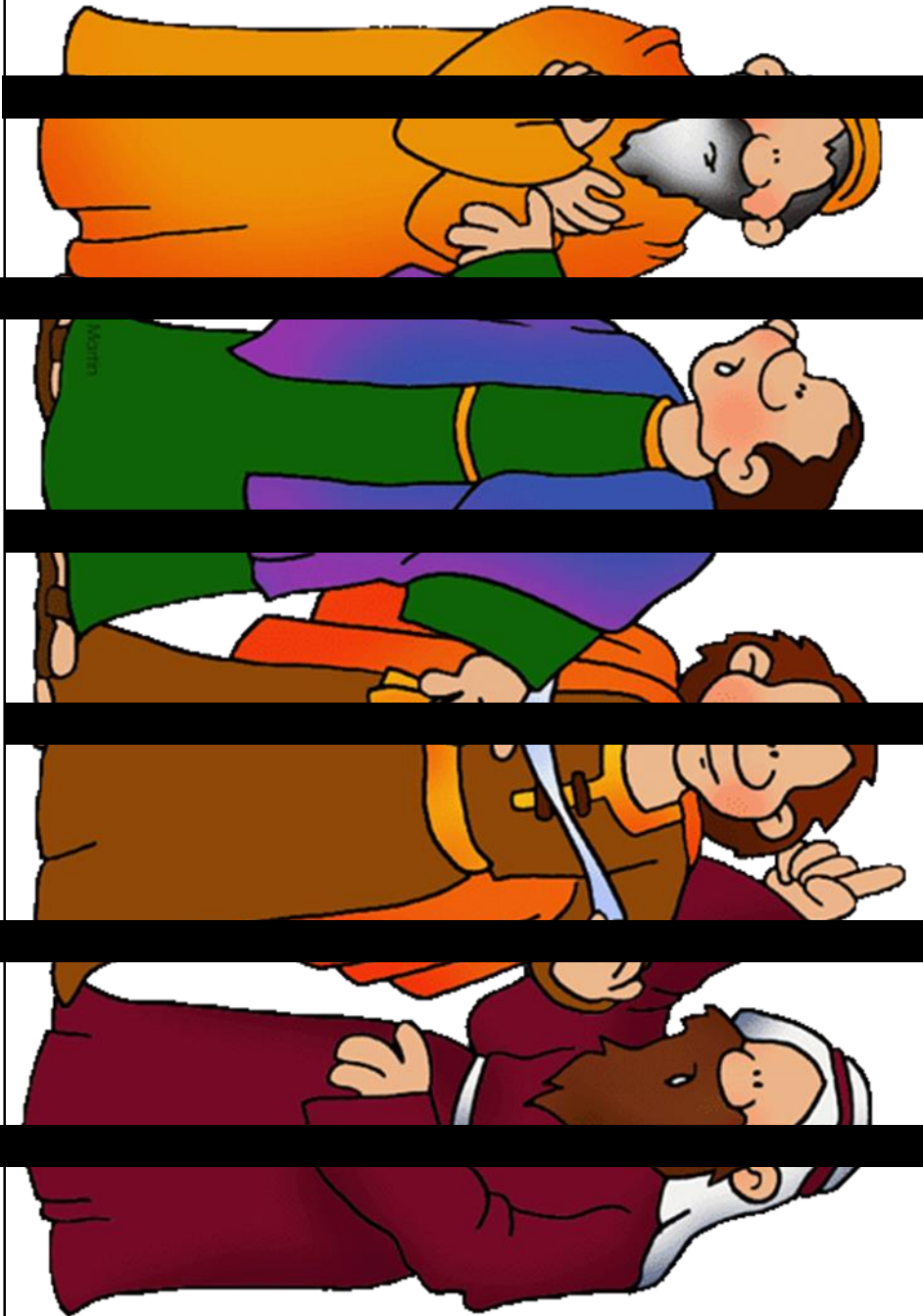
Lockdown is going on for a LONG time now, and some of us might be feeling really bored, lonely or sad - these feelings can sometimes make us angry and do naughty things. However, we must try really hard to remember that God is working right now at making things better again, as he is always working for our good! So let's try to remain patient with God and with each other this week!



**God will always provide for you too!      Genesis 39-41**

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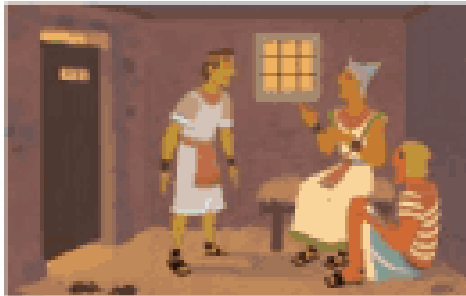
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Activities:



In Egypt, Joseph was called to interpret the dreams of Pharaoh. He predicted a famine of seven years preceded by seven years of plenty.



## God Was with Joseph in Egypt Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

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