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When you see someone jump up and down or dance, remember how happy Joseph's family was to see him and that God turned something bad into something good.



Hear It

Listen for the words "bad" and "good." When you hear one of these words, whisper "God can turn bad into good."



Talk About It

1. How would you have felt if you were Joseph seeing your brothers after such a long time?
2. How can we help each other in our family?
3. Share a memory of a time when God made something good out of something bad in your life.
4. Who do you know who is having a hard time right now? What is something you can do to help God work for good for that person?



Live It

For families to do together: Feed people like Joseph did. Donate food or time to Mission Outpost or another local food shelf. As you grocery shop or volunteer together, talk about how God is able to use you and your family to help bring good in bad situations.

For preschool kids: Invite a friend that you haven't spent much time with lately to your house for lunch or dinner.



Pray It

Open our eyes, God, so that we might see your good work in all things.
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