

# faith & family

## Life Source

### Family Devotions

Hopefully your preteen is beginning to develop a habit of personal devotions. But there are still plenty of times when your input is needed—and valued. Encourage your child to read the daily Scriptures. Read the verses yourself. Use the questions to help your preteen understand the verses and apply them to life. Discover and learn from God's Word—together!

- **SUNDAY**—Read Genesis 37:3, 4.  
What gift did Israel (Jacob) give to Joseph? How did Joseph's brothers react? How do you think you would have reacted if you were one of Joseph's brothers?
- **MONDAY**—Read Genesis 37:17b-20, 23, 24, 28.  
How serious was the jealousy of Joseph's brothers? Have you ever felt as though you hated one of your siblings? How can God help you when you are feeling jealous?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Genesis 42:6, 8.  
How did God bless Joseph's life despite his brothers' deeds? What would you do if you had the opportunity to get back at your brother or sister for something he or she had done to you? What would God want you to do?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Genesis 45:3-5, 15.  
How did Joseph's brothers feel when Joseph told them who he was? Why do you think Joseph was able to forgive his brothers?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Psalm 133:1.  
What kinds of things cause you and your brother or sister to fight? What can you do to get along better with your siblings?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Matthew 18:21, 22.  
What do you think Jesus meant in verse 22? Are there things for which you still need to forgive your brothers or sisters?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Genesis 4:8-12.  
How angry was Cain at Abel? What can you do when you need to control your anger against a brother or sister?

## POWER SURGE

Find these verses in the Bible.  
Together, memorize the verses.

**Colossians 3:12-14**

Talk to God! He's waiting to hear from you!