

## UNIT 2

# TRUST WHEN BETRAYED

### DISCOVERY DESTINATION

Surrounded by God's Protection

### KEY VERSES

"Come and let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother and our flesh." And his brothers listened. Then Midianite traders passed by; so the brothers pulled Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

-Genesis 37:27-28 (NKJV)



# LAUNCH • UNIT 2

## PRAYER OF PROMISE

Prepare your heart for the Word by trusting in God's protection.

Be gracious to me, O God, be gracious to me,  
For my soul takes refuge in You;  
And in the shadow of Your wings  
I will take refuge  
Until destruction passes by.  
–Psalm 57:1

## OVERVIEW

In Unit 2, we will learn through the life of Joseph that God will protect even when believers are betrayed or forgotten.

- **BACKGROUND STUDY**

Literary Style: Narrative

- **GOD'S PLAN OF REDEMPTION**

Joseph with the Merchants

- **IN GOD WE TRUST**

God's Protection: Gladys May Aylward

- **TEACHING OF JESUS**

Forgive When Hated: Luke 6:27–36

- **PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS**

Matthew 5:44

- **PROMISE OF GOD**

God Is Our Protector: 2 Thessalonians 3:3



## MEMORY PASSAGE

Luke 6:27

## KEY VERSES

Genesis 37:27–28

## STUDY PASSAGE

Genesis 37



Keywords



Themes



Name Meanings

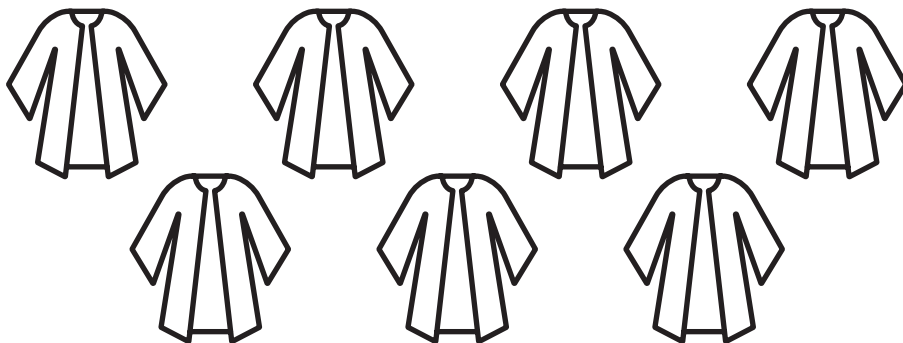




# NAVIGATE • UNIT 2, LESSON 1

Read & Observe | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

- + Your memory verse is Luke 6:27. Practice memorizing the verse each day. You may say it, sing it, or write it. Color a coat each day you practice.



## KEYWORDS

Joseph (*red*)

## NAME MEANINGS

**Joseph:** increase; addition

The book of Genesis is the first book in the Bible. Open your Bible to Genesis 37. This passage records the beginning of Joseph's life story. The Discovery Destination is the main lesson we will learn in each unit. **Color the Discovery Destination as I read Genesis 37.**

## SURROUNDED BY GOD'S PROTECTION



You are learning how to study the Bible. After listening to the passage, we look for keywords. **Joseph** is the keyword in the passage I just read. Remember, the **Study Toolbox** shows you the keywords and how to mark them.

**How did Joseph's brothers feel about him? Fill in the correct bubble.**

☐ They hated him.

☐ They loved him.

☐ They were afraid of him.

The brothers threw Joseph into a pit and then sold him as a slave. We cannot trust people who act in such a hateful way. Most of the time, our brothers and sisters are people we can trust. Joseph could not trust his brothers. They betrayed him.

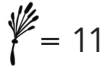
**betray** to hurt someone who trusts you



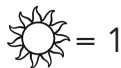
# EXPLORE • UNIT 2, LESSON 1

Read & Observe | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

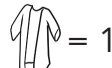
We know that Joseph's brothers betrayed him because of their hatred for him. They hated him because their father gave him a special coat. They also did not like that Joseph had special dreams. The coat showed the brothers that Joseph was Jacob's favorite son. The dreams showed them that one day Joseph would rule over them. **A coat and objects from Joseph's dreams are hidden in the picture. Find and color each one.**



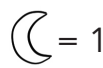
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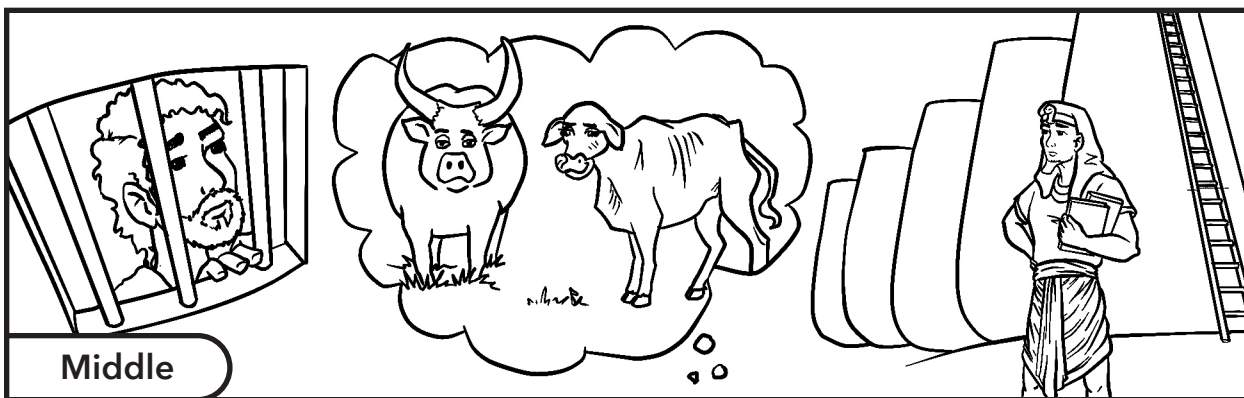
# NAVIGATE • UNIT 2, LESSON 2

Read & Observe | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

- ⊕ Your memory verse is Luke 6:27. Color a coat on page 15 if you practiced memorizing the verse today.

## BACKGROUND STUDY • Literary Style: Narrative

The Bible contains different types of writings. Moses wrote Genesis in a narrative form. A narrative form of writing tells a story. It has a beginning, a middle, and an end. People and their actions are the main focus. The *Trust* study passage, Genesis 37-50, is a narrative of the life of Joseph from age seventeen until his death. **Color the pictures of the beginning, middle, and end of Joseph's narrative.**


















## EXPLORE • UNIT 2, LESSON 2

Read & Observe | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

Genesis 37 describes the brothers' feelings or actions toward Joseph that caused them to betray him. **Use the Joseph Cipher (see p. 102) to discover the main feelings the brothers had toward him.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-4)  
   
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 5-11)  
   
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 25-28)  
    

Joseph was an obedient son to his father, but that did not save him from suffering. The brothers hated him so much that they made a plan to kill him. God allowed Joseph to be thrown into the pit to protect him from death. Joseph trusted God when he was betrayed, and God protected him.

**theme** the main idea of the passage that emerges after careful observation



Color the words to complete the theme for Genesis 37.

**GOD IS OUR**  
**PROTECTOR**  
**AND WE CAN**  
**TRUST HIM**





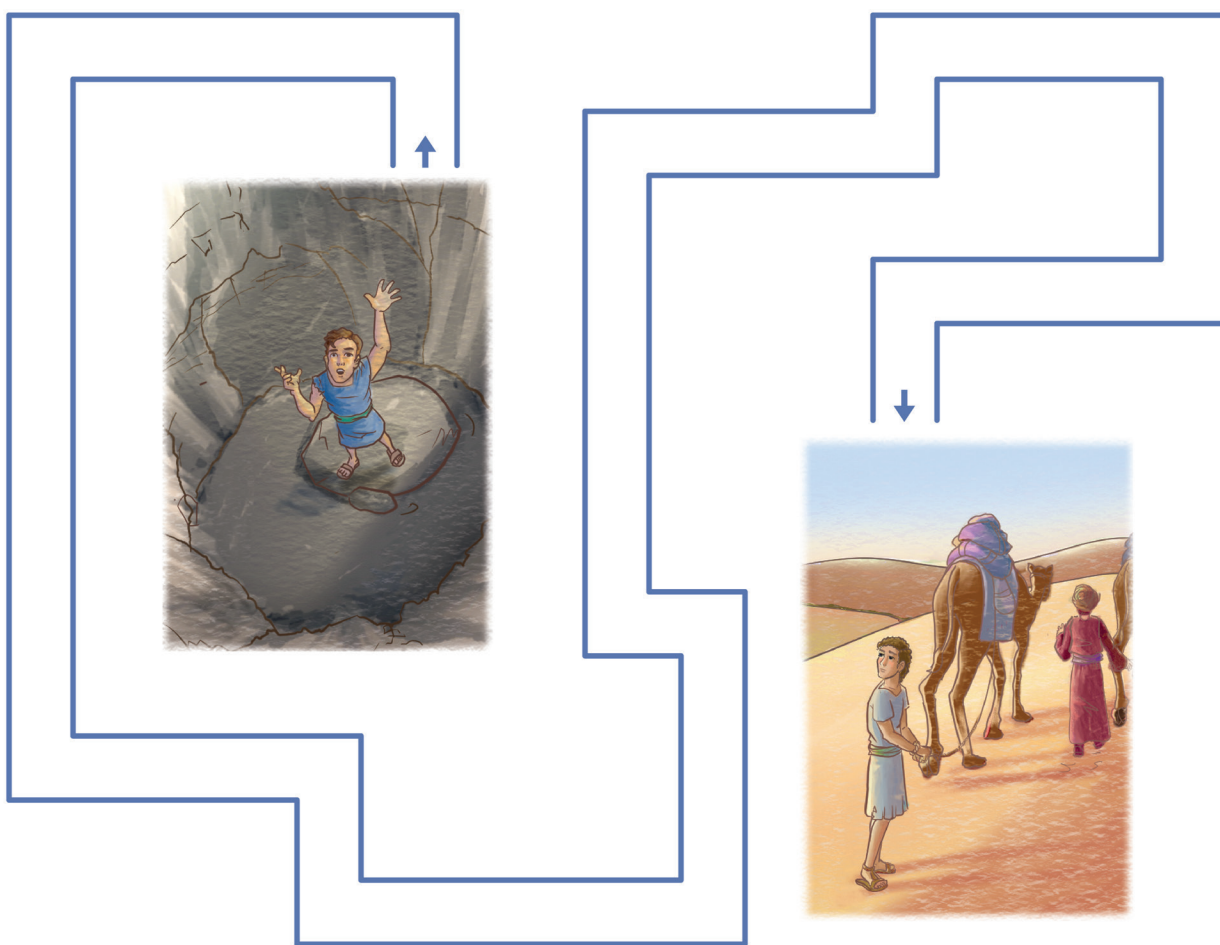
# NAVIGATE • UNIT 2, LESSON 3

Interpret | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

- ⊕ Your memory verse is Luke 6:27. Color a coat on page 15 if you practiced memorizing the verse today.

## God's Plan of Redemption: Joseph with the Merchants

In Genesis 37, Joseph's brothers threw him into a pit because of their hatred for him. Soon after, a group of merchants from Egypt passed by. Judah told the other brothers to sell Joseph as a slave to the merchants. God allowed the brothers to do all of these things to protect Joseph's life. This was all part of God's plan to save us. **Move Joseph from the pit to the merchants.**



God used Judah to protect Joseph's life. Judah was sinful and imperfect. Joseph followed God and was obedient. The Bible tells us in Matthew 1 that Judah, not Joseph, was in the royal line of Christ. Jesus Christ was God's plan for our redemption, and God used an imperfect, sinful family to bring Jesus to earth. This teaches us that nothing we do can keep God from completing His great plan.

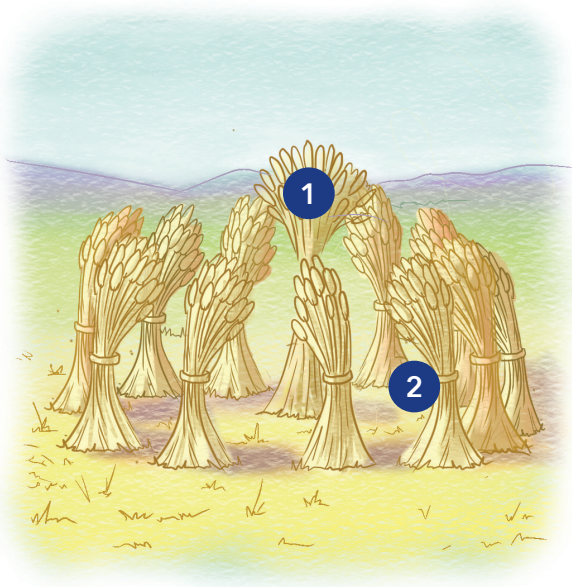


## EXPLORE • UNIT 2, LESSON 3

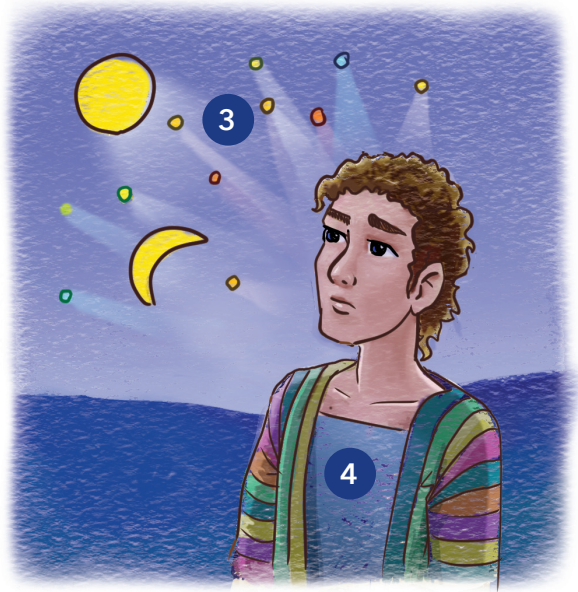
Interpret | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

In the Bible, God used dreams at times to speak to people. Often dreams would have objects or symbols that showed what was going to happen. In Genesis 37, Joseph had two dreams that he shared with his father and brothers. Listen as I read each dream. **Then trace the labels for the parts that represent Joseph and the parts that represent the brothers.**

*Dream One (Gen. 37:5-8)*



*Dream Two (Gen. 37:9-11)*



1. Joseph
2. Brothers
3. Brothers
4. Joseph

Both dreams showed that, in the future, Joseph would rule over his brothers. This was another reason for the brothers to hate him and be jealous of him. Jacob, Joseph's father, scolded him, but he also kept the things in his mind that Joseph said.





# NAVIGATE • UNIT 2, LESSON 4

Apply | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

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## IN GOD WE TRUST • God's Protection: Gladys May Aylward

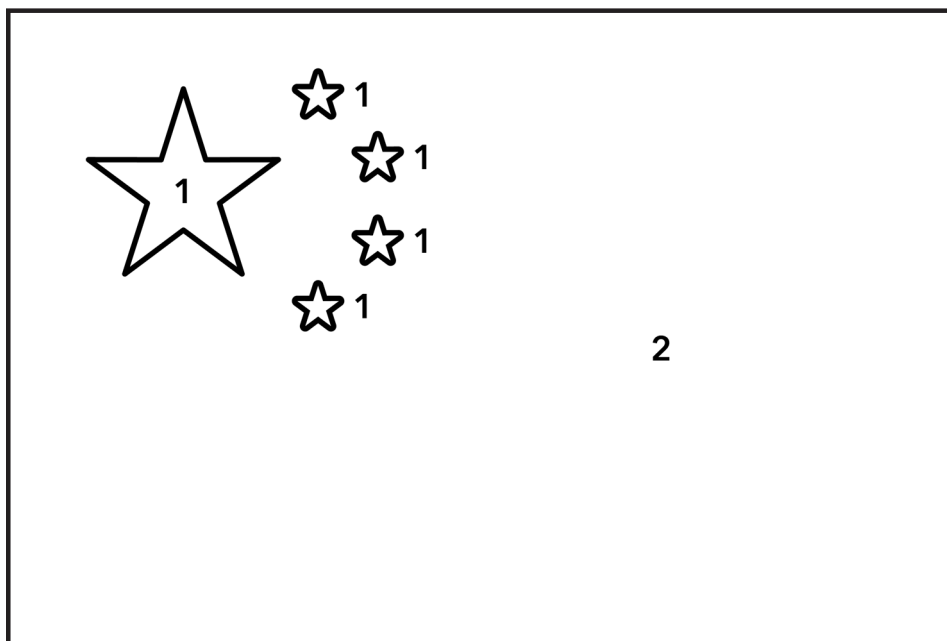
February 24, 1902 (London, England)–January 3, 1970 (Taiwan)

Born into poverty, Gladys May Aylward dropped out of school at the age of fourteen because studies were too difficult for her. She went to work as a maid for a wealthy family and had the opportunity to read about China from books in her employer's library. At the age of eighteen, Aylward became a believer and longed to go to China as a missionary. She was rejected as a missionary candidate for Christ because she had no experience in missions and the Chinese language would be difficult to learn at her age.



Aylward worked to save her own money and was invited by an elderly missionary, Jeannie Lawson, to go to China. She traveled to China on a train in the middle of winter during wartime. As civilians detained, soldiers embarked. Known as “the Little Woman” because she was only 4 feet 10 inches tall, Aylward needed God's help and was surrounded by His protection.

Use the color key to color the flag from the country where this missionary served.



### Color Key:

1 = Yellow

2 = Red



## EXPLORE • UNIT 2, LESSON 4

Apply | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

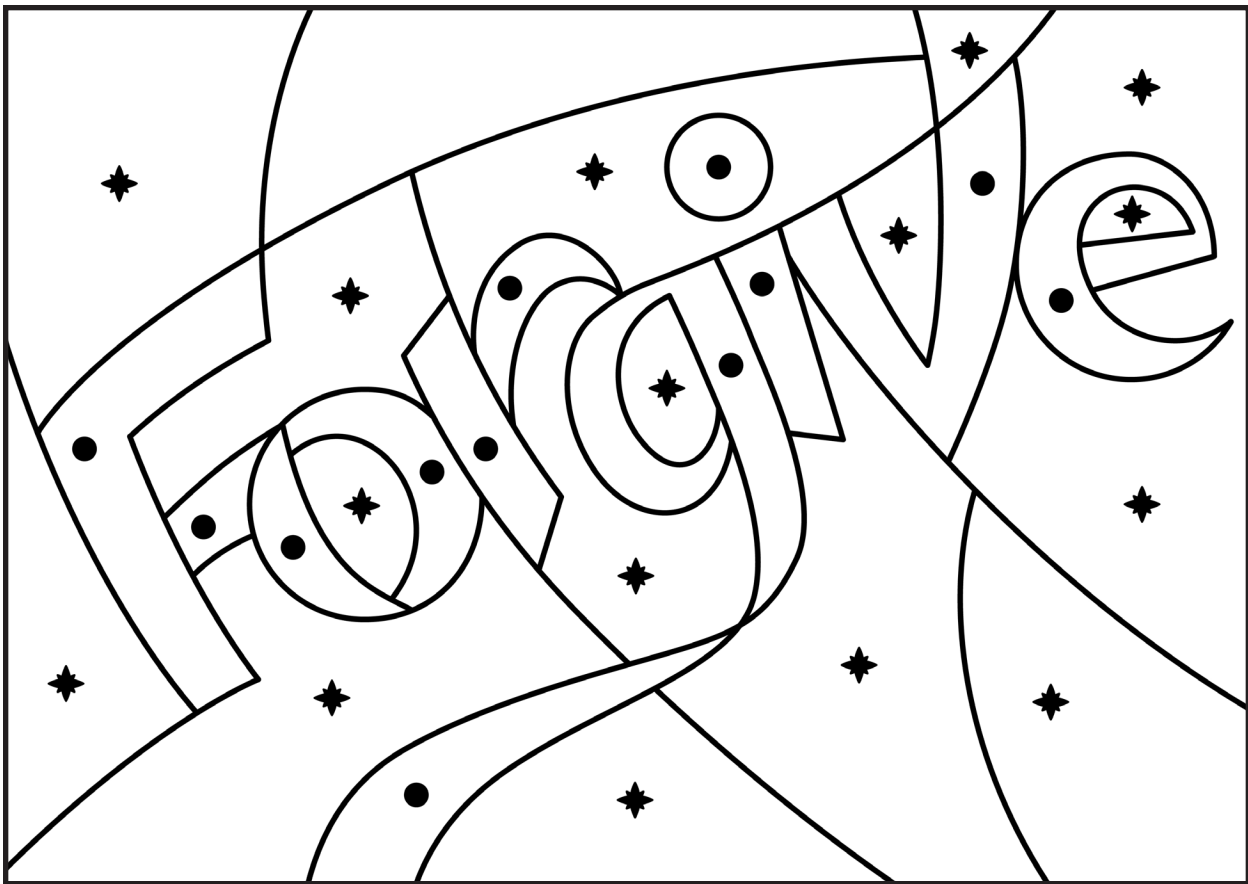
The theme of this study is *trust* because God and His Word are trustworthy (Ps. 119:160). A subtheme is forgiving others through God's power.

### Teaching of Jesus: Forgive When Hated, Luke 6:27-37

Jesus tells us what to do when you are hated as Joseph was hated by his brothers. To find out what Jesus wants us to do, color the activity below.

Use the color key to color the image below as you listen to Luke 6:27-37.

Color Key: ★ = Purple ● = Red



### Prayer of Forgiveness: Matthew 5:44

We can forgive those who are hateful to us, just as Christ forgave. Jesus teaches us to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

In the book of Luke, Jesus teaches us to forgive our enemies. Our memory verse, Luke 6:27, is from this passage. Can you recite your memory verse? Great!



# NAVIGATE • UNIT 2, LESSON 5

Review | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

- + Your memory verse is Luke 6:27. Color a coat on page 15 if you practiced memorizing the verse today.

Joseph was betrayed but was surrounded by God's protection. **Color the picture.**







# EXPLORE • UNIT 2, LESSON 5

Review | Study Passage: Genesis 37 | Memory Passage: Luke 6:27

## Promise of God: God Is Our Protector, 2 Thessalonians 3:3

You have studied Genesis 37 using all four Bible study steps: read, observe, interpret, and apply. **Listen as I read the promise of God, and then use the color key to complete Joseph's coat.**

But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.  
-2 Thessalonians 3:3 (ESV)

**Color Key:** 1 = Red 2 = Blue 3 = Green 4 = Orange 5 = Purple

