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Monday

There was a family of donkeys that lived on a farm between Cement and Cyril. There was a mom and a dad. The mom's name was Gertrude and the dad's name was Horace. There were three young donkey's named Mary, Scott and Sam. There was also a grandpa, his name was Raymond, but everyone just called him Grandpa. Finally, there was Grandma Doris.



One day Mary and Scott were playing in the water tank and they saw their mom giving Sam a bite from a bag of oats. Mary and Scott jumped out of the tank and ran over to their mom Gertrude.

“I want some mom”, Mary said. She loved oats.

“Me too”, said Scott.

“They're all gone”, Sam said patting his belly.

“Mom I want some oats like Sam had”, Mary said while imagining the taste of fresh oats.

“That was all of them, there's a bale of alfalfa hay in the feeder by the gate”, Gertrude answered.

“I want oats. Sam got oats. You can't give Sam oats and not us. That's mule abuse”, Scott said angrily.

“Watch you mouth or you will get a spanking”, Gertrude said holding up a paddle.

“Do you love Sam more than us?”, Mary asked.

“Of course not, I love you all the same. Next time, I'll just eat the oats myself”, Gertrude joked.

“That reminds me of a Bible story though. The story is about Joseph. Remember he was the son of Jacob. His father did truly love him more than his other sons; he even gave him a very beautiful colored tunic. This caused his brothers to hate him and it made Joseph's life hard. One day, his brothers were acting badly. Joseph told on them to their dad and it made them hate Joseph even more. One day, Joseph had a dream. He dreamed

that they were gathering together bundles of grain. In his dream his brother's bundles of grain bowed to him. His brothers were angry when they heard the dream. The dream was saying that his brothers would some day bow to him. He also had another dream that the sun and the moon bowed to him. He told this dream to his dad and it made his dad angry. His dad said, "Shall I and your mother and your brothers actually come to bow ourselves down before you to the ground?". Joseph didn't know what the dreams meant, but all of the dreams would come true", Gertrude said.

Scripture reading: Genesis 37:4

Song: Jesus Loves the Little Children

Thinking Question: Did Jacob love Joseph more than his other children? (Yes)

Tuesday

Sam was all by himself walking in the pasture. He liked to walk by himself sometimes. He was having a good time when he heard the sound of crackling boards. Before he knew it he had fallen into an old well.



“Help..... Help”, Sam screamed. Sam screamed for hours but no one came. Sam was very scared and started to cry.

Back at the barn, Mary was walking in.

“Have you seen Sam?”, Gertrude asked Mary.

“No, I haven’t seen him all afternoon. He must be with Scott”, Mary said.

Soon Scott came into the Barn.

“Scott, have you seen Sam?”, Gertrude asked. She was getting really worried now. Gertrude had the whole family look for Sam. Horace, Grandma, and Grandpa helped too.

“Sam.....Sam.....”, they yelled throughout the farm.

Sam was really sad and didn’t think anyone would ever find him, then he heard, “Sam.....Sam”, Sam could hear grandpa yelling for him.

“Grandpa, I’m over here grandpa”, Sam yelled as loud as he could.

Soon his Grandpa was standing beside the old well that Sam had fallen into.

“I’ll get you out,” Grandpa said while holding a tree limb with his mouth and holding it out for Sam to grab on to.

“I got it”, Sam said as he held on while Grandpa pulled back on the limb helping Sam out of the hole.

“I thought I was going to be in that well forever. I was so afraid”, Sam said panting from all of the excitement of being saved and the work of climbing out.

“Do you know the story of Joseph and the pit?”, Grandpa asked.

“No tell it to me while we walk back, Grandpa”, Sam answered.

“Joseph’s brothers hated him very much and one day when he was walking towards them, they decided to kill him. Reuben pleaded with them not to kill Joseph. They took Joseph’s pretty tunic off and threw him into a pit. The pit didn’t have any water. Reuben hoped to come back and rescue Joseph later. Before Reuben came back, a band of traders came. Judah had the idea of selling Joseph into slavery instead of killing him. Judah convinced his brothers and they sold Joseph. Reuben was sad that Joseph was gone but didn’t tell on his brothers for what they had done to Joseph. They dipped Joseph’s tunic in goat’s blood and lied to Jacob and made Jacob think that Joseph was killed by wild animals. Jacob was very sad”, Grandpa said.

“That was awful. I’m glad my family is nicer than Joseph’s. I was tired of being stuck in that hole”, Sam said as they arrived at the barn.

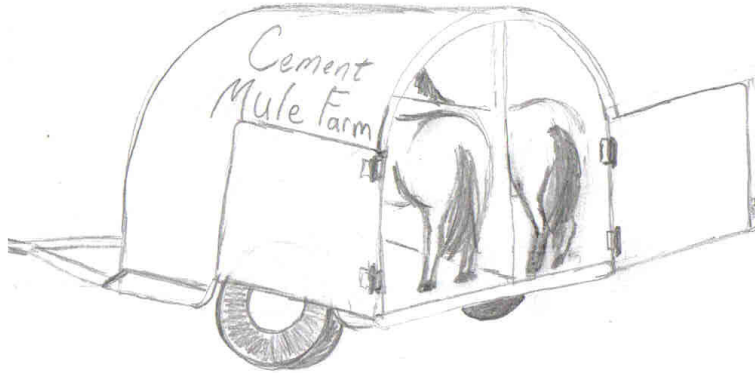
Song: Jesus Loves Me

Scripture Reading: Genesis 37:27

Thinking Question: Did Joseph’s brothers like Joseph? (No)

Thursday

It was Thursday, a stock trailer backed up to the corral. Soon Farmer Smith was leading Uncle Ty and his wife Dallas up to the stock trailer.



“Grandpa, where are Uncle Ty and Dallas going?”, Scott asked. Scott and Uncle Ty had always been real close friends.

“Farmer Smith decided to sell them. The price of diesel is really high and Farmer Smith needs the money”, Grandpa answered with a sigh.

“He can’t sell Uncle Ty. Uncle Ty is family”, Scott said with a sad tone.

“I’m afraid he can Scott. That’s how life on a farm goes”, Grandpa answered.

“I hope I never get sold”, Scott said a little afraid.

“You want to see more than Cement don’t you? It’s not a terrible thing to get sold. Farmer Smith would only sell us to nice people. Beside no matter where you go, God is always with you”, Grandpa said trying to comfort Scott.

“I guess I do”, Scott answered.

“Remember Joseph, he got sold to the traders but God was still with him. The traders sold him to a man named Potiphar. Joseph worked very hard for Potiphar and God blessed everything Joseph did. Potiphar noticed Joseph’s talent and ended up putting everything under Joseph’s control. Even though Joseph was a slave, God still blessed him and helped him”, Grandpa said.

“Joseph sure was strong. I don’t know what I would do if I got sold and was taken to a place where I didn’t know anyone”, Scott said.

“God will be with you and bless you. Just like he did for Joseph”, Grandpa said while waving goodbye to Uncle Ty.

Song: Gospel Chariot

Scripture Reading: Genesis 39:2-3

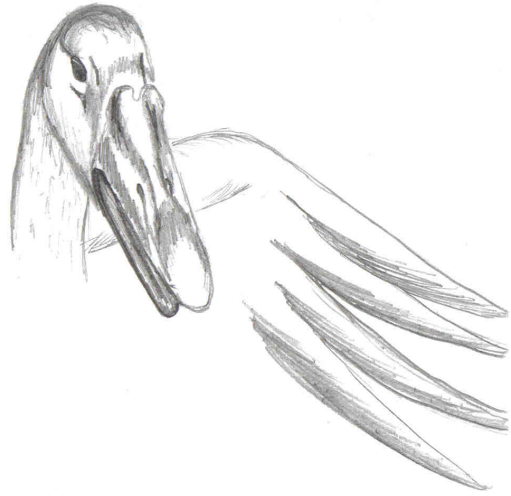
Thinking Question: Did God bless Joseph in Egypt? (Yes)

Friday

One day old grouchy Mrs. Paul was standing right beside a mud hole. Soon Scott and Sam came chasing each other.

Vooooooooooooooooom. Scott and Sam ran by Mrs. Paul with blazing speed.

“Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhh”, Mrs. Paul screamed as she jumped from being scared by the noise. Mrs. Paul, the pretty and proper goose, jumped right into the mud hole.



“Let me help you out”, Sam said as he walked into the mud hole to help Mrs. Paul.

“Don’t you touch me. I can’t believe you pushed me in”, Mrs. Paul said as she waddled out of the mud.

“We didn’t push you. You jumped in”, Scott said

“Your father will hear about this”, Mrs. Paul said as she walked towards the barn.

Sam and Scott waited together until they heard, “Scott, Sam get in here”.

Their dad didn’t sound happy. They walked into the barn following the muddy footprints, left by Mrs. Paul.

“You’re grounded. You can stay in the barn for two days”, their dad said.

“We didn’t do anything. Well, we might have scarred her, but we didn’t push her in”, Sam said frustrated.

Grandpa soon came walking in.

“Grandpa, you have to talk to dad. He’s punishing us and we didn’t push Mrs. Paul in the mud”, Scott said looking sad.

“It won’t hurt you. I’m sure you have done something bad and didn’t get caught”, Grandpa joked.

“It’s not fair”, said Scott.

“Let me tell you a story. One day, Joseph was doing his job and his boss’ wife

wanted Joseph to do something to hurt his boss Potiphar. Joseph wouldn't do it. She bothered him about it day after day. Finally when Joseph refused again, she told Potiphar that Joseph did the bad thing. Potiphar had Joseph put in prison and Joseph was innocent. God was still with Joseph", Grandpa said.

"So life is not always fair", said Scott.

"Yep. You just have to do your best and follow God", Grandpa said.

Song: I've got Joy down in my heart.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 39:19-20

Thinking Question: Was Joseph in prison because he was bad? (No)

Saturday

It was Saturday, and Scott and Sam were standing at the very edge of the barn. They were sad because they were grounded.

Soon Mary came walking up. “Ha Ha Ha, if it isn’t the Goose attackers”, Mary said.

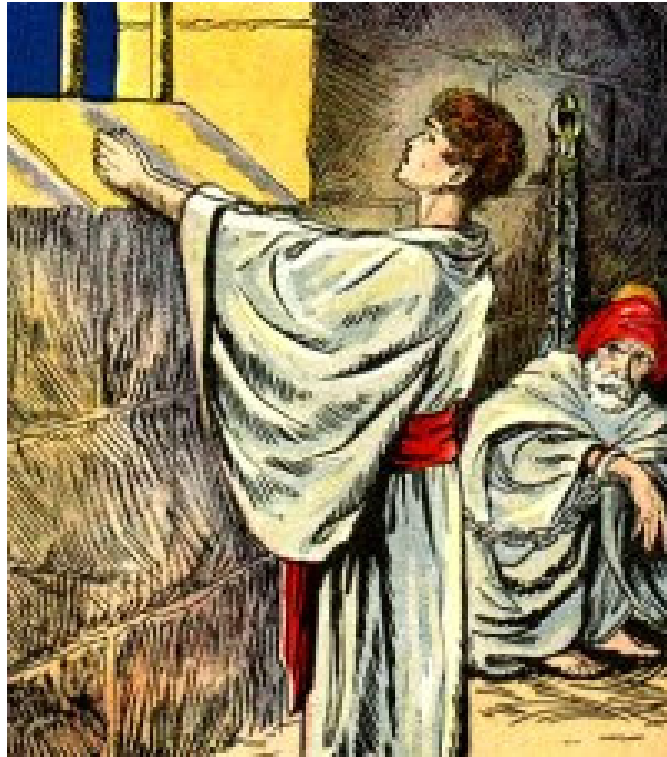
“Shut-up. It’s bad enough without your help”, Sam said.

“I feel like I’m in prison”, Scott said trying to ignore Mary making faces at them.

“Don’t worry boys. You’ll be out before you know it”, their mom Gertrude said while giving Mary a stern look.

“I can’t take it mom. I need fresh air and sunshine”, Sam said acting like he was choking.

“Remember Joseph, Joseph was in prison. God still blessed him though and soon he was made head of the whole prison. The king of Egypt was called Pharaoh. While Joseph was in prison two people from Pharaoh’s household were thrown into prison. There was the Cupbearer. He brought Pharaoh stuff to drink. There was also the Baker. He baked food for the Pharaoh. Both the Cupbearer and the Baker had dreams. The Cupbearer’s dream was that there was a vine. The vine had three branches. Out of the branches came bunches of grapes. He also dreamed that Pharaoh’s cup was once again in his hand. Joseph said that God could show him what the dreams meant. He told the Cupbearer that the dream meant that in three days



Pharaoh would let him out of prison and give the Cupbearer his job back. After the Baker saw that the Cupbearer got a good answer about his dream, he also asked Joseph what his dream meant. His dream was that he had three baskets of baked things on his head and the birds were eating out of the baskets. Joseph told the Baker that the dream meant that in three days the Baker would be killed by Pharaoh. After Joseph interpreted the dreams for them, he asked the cupbearer to remember him and help get him out of prison when he saw Pharaoh, but the Cupbearer didn’t say anything to Pharaoh when he got back to the palace.

Joseph would have to spend another two years in prison”, Grandpa said finishing the story for the day.

Song: BIBLE

Scripture Reading: Genesis 40:20-23

Thinking Question: Did God still help Joseph in prison? (Yes)