

FAMILY DEVOTION!

“Nobody’s Perfect”



“No Matter Who You Are Or What You’ve Done, God Can Use Us - Everyone!”



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Read:

Read the story of Joseph in Genesis 27 and discuss how Joseph’s life was full of things that were “not so perfect.”

Ask:

- What are some of the good things and bad things that happened to Joseph as he was growing up?
- Did Joseph respond well to everything that happened to him? What could he have done differently?
- Do you think Joseph deserved the treatment he received from his brothers? Why or why not?
- How would you feel if your family treated you the way Joseph’s brothers treated him?
- Do you think it’s possible to grow up in a dysfunctional family and not be dysfunctional yourself? Why or why not?

Say:

Talk to your kids about how people may be tempted to act in certain ways because of the way they were raised and the things that happened to them as kids, but God can help them overcome their past.

Emphasize that the problems in their past, whether other people caused them or they caused them themselves, don’t have to determine their future. God can and will use the events of our pasts to change us into people who can live healthy, productive lives for Him.

Pray:

Pray that each member of your family will feel loved by the other members, and that each person will learn to show his or her love to others even better. Then pray for other families who may be struggling. Ask God to spread His love, peace, and forgiveness to them.

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