A DREAMER RISES

ADULT
Unit 4
LESSON HANDOUT
Lesson 8

BIBLE TRUTH
God is with us in good and bad times.

LEARNER GOAL
I can relate how God was with Joseph during his trials to how God is with me in my own trials.

BIBLE VERSE
For those who love God all things work together for good. Romans 8:28

God Works Good for Joseph
Genesis 39:20–23; 41:9–49

REFLECTIONS

OPENING REFLECTION Think about a time when a negative past experience allowed you to help someone in the present. How did that work?

GENESIS 39:20–23 Brainstorm different ways that Joseph could have reacted to this terrible situation. How can Joseph's actual response serve as an example for God's people today?

GENESIS 41:9–13 How did God salvage the situations of Joseph and the cupbearer to accomplish His plans? Consider a way that God has salvaged something difficult in the life of your congregation in an unexpected way.

GENESIS 41:14–36 Identify ways Joseph's testimony gives all glory to God. What is one thing you can learn from Joseph about how you can acknowledge God's care in both the good times and the bad times?

GENESIS 41:37–49 How did God use and develop Joseph to do His work during those thirteen years of captivity? Though God never promises that we will be exalted like Joseph or have no troubles, how can and does God use our past experiences according to His will to care for others today?

FINAL REFLECTION Relate how God was with Joseph during his trials to how God is with you in your own trials.

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