Ice Cream Sundae

Have fun learning and playing with your preschooler!



Joseph in Jail (Genesis 39–40)

Remember This

"'For I know the plans I have for you,' says the Lord." Jeremiah 29:11, NLT

Say This

Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me.



Toy Tape

What You Need

Toys and masking or painter's tape

What You Do

Before the Activity: Place the toys on a table or hard floor. Use one long strip of the tape to tape each toy to the table or floor.

During the Activity: Challenge your kid to peel the tape and free the toys. Continue the activity until each toy has been freed.

After the Activity: Allow your kid to play with the toys.

What You Say

Before the Activity: "Oh, no! Your toys are taped to the table." (Point.)

During the Activity: "Please, help me free your toys by peeling the tape. (Demonstrate.) It will be a hard job, but then you can have your toys back!" (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "Whew! That was a super hard job. You did so good, and now you can play with your toys again! (Allow your kid to play with the toys.) In our story, Joseph trusted God's plan even when it was hard! Joseph worked for a man named Potiphar and did whatever Potiphar told him to do. One day, somebody said Joseph did something very wrong! Joseph didn't do it, but he was put in jail! Joseph knew God loved him. And, Joseph knew God was always with him. So, even though things were hard, Joseph trusted God's plan. We can trust God even when things are hard because God loves us, God's with us, and God's got a plan for us! Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me."

Prayer

"Dear God, thank You for (child's name). I know You have a plan for them, because you love them. I pray they will always trust that You have a plan for them. And when hard things happen, help them to wait on You, do the right thing, and trust in Your plan for them. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."