



Leader Devotion

February 12, 2025

Bible Story: Jealousy- Exodus 20:17, Genesis 37:1-11

Big Idea: We're not jealous.

The Win: Kids who can identify and take their next step of discipleship by embracing a preschooler's physical needs or engaging an elementary kid in things that interest them.

Wednesday Share:

Tonight during Impact Kids, we looked at Exodus 20:17 and Genesis 37:1-11. God commands his people not to want other people's stuff. Joseph's brothers are jealous because their dad likes Joseph best and gives Joseph a fancy coat. Plus, Joseph brags about dreams in which his brothers bow to him. Of all the Ten Commandments, this one describes what feels most like a harmless, inward emotion...not a sin. And yet God gave this commandment because he knew the harm that can come in our own hearts when we're jealous. In the case of Joseph's brothers, jealousy can lead to breaking other commandments, like lying or hurting others. Use this lesson to talk to your kids about the dangers of jealousy.

Leader Devo:

Dig In to the Bible

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In This Passage: God commands his people not to want other people's stuff. Joseph's brothers are jealous because their dad likes Joseph best and gives Joseph a fancy coat. Plus, Joseph brags about dreams in which his brothers bow to him.

Bible Point: We're not jealous.

Summary Verse: "Jesus replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind' " (Matthew 22:37).

Dig Deeper

You'll Be Teaching: We're not jealous. Of all the Ten Commandments, this one describes what feels most like a harmless, inward emotion...not a sin. And yet God gave this commandment because he knew the harm that can come in our own hearts when we're jealous. Plus, as in the case of Joseph's brothers, jealousy can lead to breaking other commandments, like lying or hurting others.

Use this lesson to show kids the dangers of jealousy.

Think About: When have you been really, really jealous? What damage did it cause to your heart? your relationships?

Dig In to Prayer

Ask God to help kids be content with what they have.