

Abraham had a great-grandson (one of TWELVE great-grandsons) named Joseph who was 17 years old in Genesis 37. Joseph's father, Jacob (whose name had been changed by God to Israel) Joseph more than any other of his sons" (Genesis 37:3), but Joseph's

brothers "

him and could not speak peacefully to him" (Genesis 37:4).

In Genesis 37, Joseph had two dreams. In the first, Joseph and his brothers were binding sheaves of wheat in a field, and his brothers' sheaves bowed down to Joseph's sheaf. In the second dream, the sun,





moon, and II stars bowed down to Joseph.

So [Joseph's brothers] hated him even more for his and his words. (Genesis 37:8)

One day, Joseph was sent by his father to check on his brothers. When they saw him, they "conspired against [Joseph] to kill him" (Genesis 37:18).

Joseph's oldest brother, Reuben, convinced them to "shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness" (Genesis 37:22). Reuben planned to rescue Joseph and return him to their father Israel.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his \_\_\_\_\_\_, the robe of many colors that he wore. (Genesis 37:23)

When they saw an opportunity, Joseph's brothers sold him to traders who were traveling to Egypt.

Then they took Joseph's robe and slaughtered a goat and dipped the robe in the

## . (37:31)

What does this have to do with our search for our King? Jesus knew what it felt like to be betrayed (Matthew 26:45-47) and "stripped" of his own clothes (Matthew 27:28-31). Just like God used what evil men did to Joseph to save the lives of many, he used what sinners did to Jesus to offer salvation to all of us!



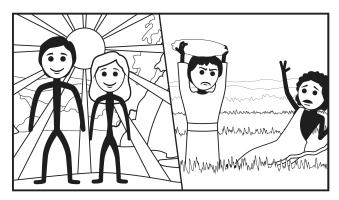
## **FOUNDATION STONES**

## TIMELINE Building Blocks:

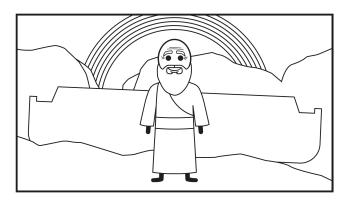
It's been a little while since we worked on our Timeline Building Blocks, but we're almost through the book of Genesis in our Peerset For the King. There are 17 time periods from One

in our Search For the King. There are 17 time periods from Creation to Revelation and the

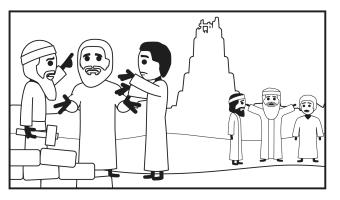
first 4 are found in Genesis. Do you remember all 4?



**Before the Flood** 



Flood



## **Scattering of the People**

Who are those four **Patriarchs**? Can you list them?

Do you remember what "patriarch" means? A patriarch is a father of a family, tribe, or nation.

