

Chapter 37

Jacob loved Joseph more than his other sons because Joseph was the son of his old age.

Jacob had a special coat of many colors made for Joseph. Joseph's older brothers were jealous of Joseph and hated him.

Joseph had a dream: he became a famous person. This made his brothers hate him all the more.

One day, when the brothers were looking after their sheep in a distant place, Jacob sent Joseph to see how they were.

When the brothers saw Joseph coming some of them wanted to kill him.

Eventually they sold Joseph to some slave traders for 20 silver pieces.

The slave traders took Joseph to Egypt and re-sold him there.

The brothers told Jacob that a wild animal had killed Joseph.

Jacob was heart broken and mourned Joseph all the time.

Dear God, please help me not to be jealous of other people

Chapter 38

Jacob's son Judah had three sons - Er, Onan and Shelah.

Er married Tamar, but not long after the wedding, Er died.

So, according to custom, Judah asked Onan to marry Tamar and have a child for his brother.

But Onan spilt his seed each time he slept with Tamar, so Tamar did not conceive.

Judah then said to Tamar

"Wait till Shelah grows up, and you can marry him."

But when Shelah was older, he still hadn't been given to Tamar.

So Tamar tricked her father-in-law Judah.