Lesson 26
Joseph Goes to Prison
Genesis 39th Chapter; Genesis 40th Chapter

While serving as a slave in the house of Potiphar, Joseph's master, God was watching over Joseph. (Recite- The master is the one who controls everyone). (Recite- A slave is someone that is forced to obey and do the will of someone else that owns them). (Recite- Another word for slave is 'captive'). Because of Joseph, Potiphar's house began to get rich. Potiphar saw that God had blessed Joseph and for that, Potiphar's house was blessed. He made Joseph the overseer over his entire house. At this point, (Recite- God was getting Joseph ready to rule something greater)! Joseph's dreams will soon come true! He now rules everything in Potiphar the Egyptian's house. The Egyptian Potiphar prospered so much that he didn't even know how much he had gained in wealth. Now, Potiphar the Egyptian had a wife. One day, she tried to get Joseph to break one of God's Commandments. (Recite- Joseph refused to break one of God's Commandments and ran). Later that evening, she told her husband Potiphar a lie! (Recite- Potiphar then threw Joseph into prison)! Another word for prison is jail. When Potiphar's wife said something about Joseph that was not true (Recite- she broke God's ninth (9) Commandment bearing false witness against a neighbor)! While in prison, the keeper of the prisoners liked Joseph and made Joseph the ruler over all of the prisoners. (Recite- Joseph was called an overseer). (Recite- God was still looking over Joseph)!

One night, two of the prisoners had a dream. (Recite- It was the Pharaoh's butler and his baker). The butler told Joseph of the dream he dreamt. In the butler's dream, he saw three (3) branches with three (3) clusters of grapes on their vines. Also in the dream, the butler squeezed the cluster of grapes into the Pharaoh's cup. After telling the butler that (Recite- interpretations belong to God), Joseph told the butler the meaning of his dream. (Recite- Each branch represents one day). (Recite- The three branches are three days). Also in the dream, (Recite- when the butler squeezed the grapes into the Pharaoh's cup, this means the butler will serve the Pharaoh his cup once again in three days). (Recite- Joseph then asked the butler to remember him when he is once again before the Pharaoh). (Recite- Joseph wanted to get out of prison). Happy to hear the interpretation of the butler's dream, the baker then told Joseph of his dream! In the baker's dream, (Recite- the baker was carrying three white baskets). The baskets were on his head to take to the Pharaoh. (Recite- Baked meats were in the top basket). Birds then came and ate all the meat out of the top basket. Joseph then told the baker the interpretation of his dream. (Recite- Each basket he carried on his head represented one day). (Recite- The three baskets are three days). The birds eating the meat out of the top basket that were on the baker's head meant that (Recite- the Pharaoh will put the baker to death in three (3) days). Furthermore, the meat in the top basket represented the baker who the birds will eat in the three days. As the third day had arrived, it was the Pharaoh's birthday. Just as Joseph had said, the baker was put to death and the butler was returned to his job serving the Pharaoh his cup once again. Throughout all of this, (Recite- the butler did not remember Joseph's when he went before the Pharaoh).

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Lesson Review Questions

1. What was Potiphar to Joseph?

(A) Joseph's friend (B) Joseph's brother **(C) Joseph's master**

2. Who was Joseph to Potiphar?

(A) A slave (B) Potiphar's brother (C) Potiphar's friend

3. Because God was with Joseph, what happened to Potiphar's house?

(A) Potiphar's house was blessed (B) It was poor (C) It burned down

4. With his house being blessed, what did Potiphar make Joseph in his house?

(A) A babysitter (B) A farmer **(C) Overseer of his house**

5. When Potiphar's wife lied on Joseph, which of God's commandments did she break?

(A) The 4th Commandment **(B) The 9th Commandment** (C) 5th Commandment

6. What is the ninth (9th) commandment?

(A) Thou shalt not kill **(B) Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor** (C) Thou shalt not steal

8. Believing his wife, what did Potiphar do to Joseph?

(A) Threw Joseph into prison (B) Sent Joseph home (C) He made Joseph apologize

9. While in prison, Joseph was made overseer of the prisoners. What two prisoners had dreams?

(A) The blacksmith and the bricklayer (B) The gardener and the chariot maker **(C) The butler and the baker**

10. According to the butler's dream, what did Joseph tell the butler?

(A) He'll be sent away **(B) He will serve the Pharaoh his cup again** (C) He will remain in prison

11. According to the baker's dream, what did Joseph tell the baker?

(A) He will be put to death (B) He will get his job back (C) He will remain in prison

12. What did Joseph ask the butler to do when he got his job back?

(A) Help Joseph escape **(B) To remember him** (C) To bring him some food

Bonus Question: What was God getting Joseph ready for? **Answer: To rule something greater.**

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Reader: Please generate questions and help the children find the words. Using crayons, draw a line through each word found in the search word. Change colors for each word.

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SEARCH WORDS

1. BAKER
2. BASKETS
3. BRANCHES
4. BUTLER
5. COMMANDMENT
6. DREAM
7. GRAPES
8. MASTER
9. MEATS
10. OVERSEER
11. POTIPHAR
12. PRISON

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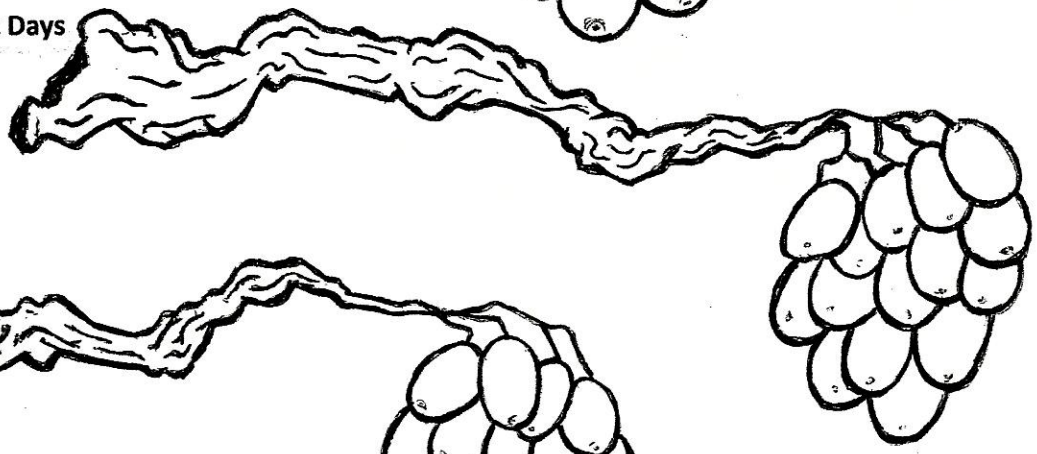
The Butler's Dream

The Three Branches, The Grapes & the Pharaoh's Cup

1 Branch with Grapes = 1 Day



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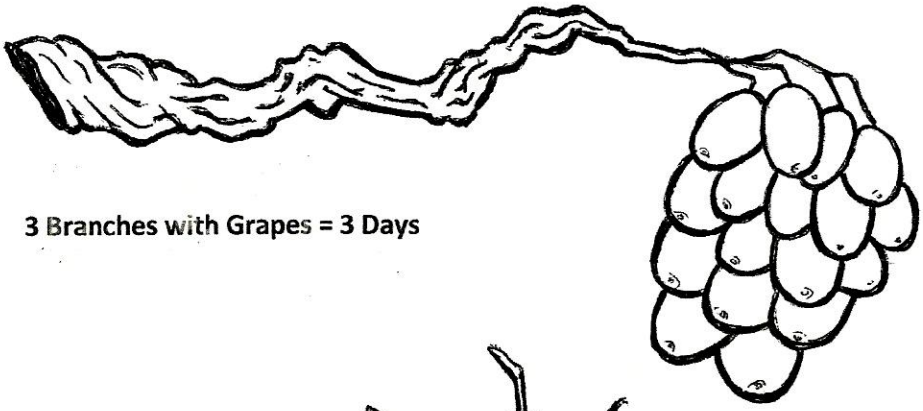

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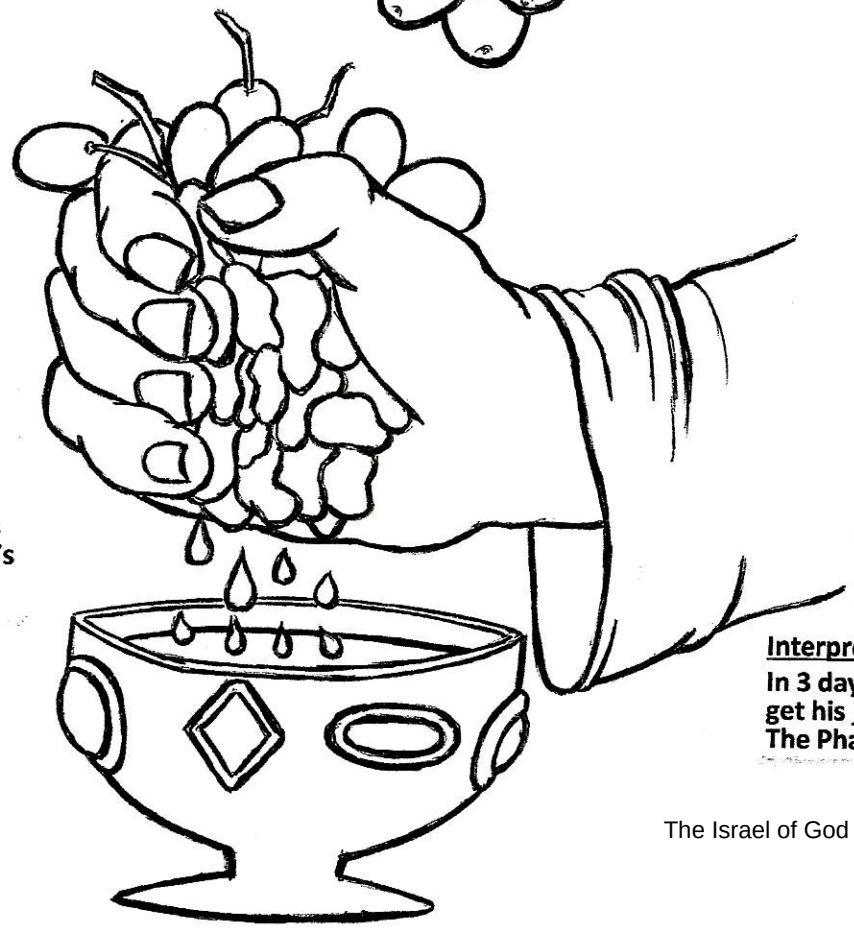

The Butler Squeezing grapes into the Pharaoh's cup.

Interpretation

In 3 days, the Butler will get his job back serving The Pharaoh

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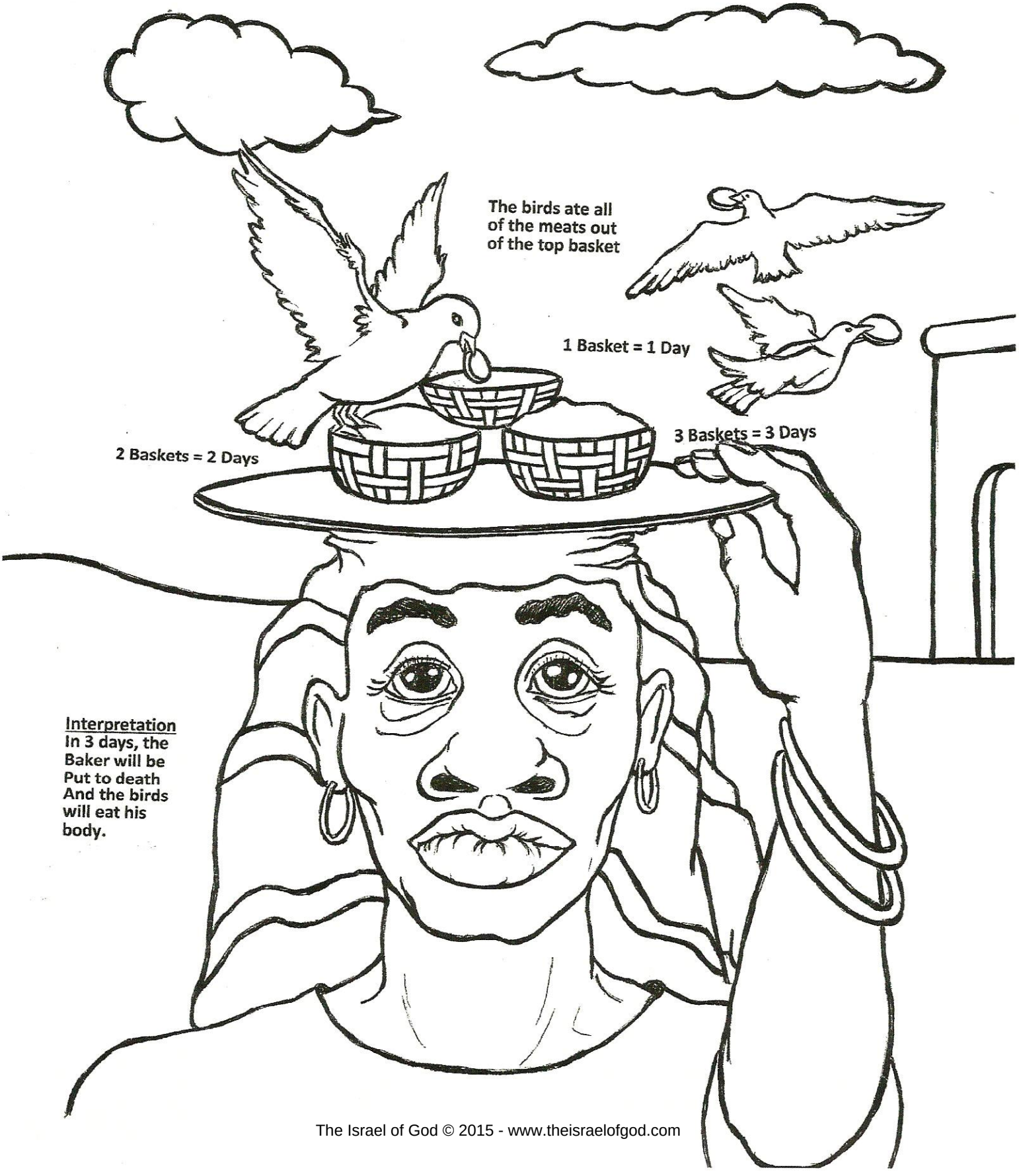
The Baker's Dream

The Three Baskets, the Baked Meats & the Birds



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