

### In My World

Joseph's brothers were very jealous of him because he had something they wanted. They wanted to be loved by their father as much as Joseph was loved. Sometimes people have things that we want. Sometimes it's not fair that they get to have it and we don't and that makes us angry on the inside. Everybody gets jealous sometimes. When those jealous feelings start to creep into our hearts we have a decision to make. We can either let those feelings lead us to do bad things like Joseph's brothers did, or we can give those feelings to God and ask him to help us get rid of them. Instead of thinking about the things we can't have, we need to think about and thank God for the things He has given us.

### Reflection Questions

1. Has being jealous of someone ever led you to do bad things?
2. Have you ever bottled up jealous feelings for someone instead of giving them to God and those feelings grew to hate in your heart?

### My Prayer for You

My prayer for you is that you keep your heart free from jealousy. When those feelings sneak in, and they will, I hope you give them to God and ask Him to help you get rid of them. I hope you can redirect your desires from something you can't have and refocus and praise God for His many blessings on you. My prayer is that you never try to ignore those feelings letting them grow inside you until you are filled with hate and bitterness. A heart full of hate is too heavy to praise God the way it should. My prayer is that you keep your heart and mind clear of anything that comes between you and God.