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Using these Lessons

Joseph: A Man of Integrity lessons are flexible and allow you to choose options that fit your needs. Some activities and projects are designed for small groups; others work well for large groups. Put together a lesson that's fun and keeps children interacting with the Word from start to finish!

Welcome Warm-up Activities

Focus your group by engaging students from the start. These short activities get little ones up, moving, and following directions.

Focus on the Word

You will need a copy of the Bible for readings and discussions. Teaching pictures are supplied with the lessons.

Learn by Doing

Projects and activities are ready to copy and use. All the additional materials you will need are listed at the front of each lesson. Look for links to videos of songs, directions for action activities, and project how-tos. All videos can be viewed and downloaded at **www.youtube.com/ncsundayschools**. More information on using videos is on page 4.

Wrap-up

Review how the lesson applies to daily life and help children learn a verse from the Word by heart. *Parent Notes* help parents discuss lessons with their children at home.

Questions and Comments

We welcome your feedback. Drop us a line at sundayschool@newchurch.org or visit us at www.facebook.com/NewChurchSundaySchools.

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About Joseph: A Man of Integrity

These lessons are part of a series for ages 3-18, organized into four age groups. For more information on this series, visit **www.newchurch.org**/ **youth-journey-programs**.

These lessons can be used in partnership with *The Path of Integrity*, a New Church Journey Program for adults. For information, visit **www.newchurchjourney.org**.

Spiritual Concepts

The concepts in these lessons are drawn from the book of Genesis in the Old Testament and from the Heavenly Doctrine for the New Church given through Emanuel Swedenborg. As is customary in Swedenborgian studies, the numbers following the titles of the books by Emanuel Swedenborg refer to paragraph or section numbers (which are the same in all editions) rather than to page numbers. Swedenborg wrote originally in Latin, and a variety of translations have been used.

For more information on the teachings of the New Church, visit www.newchurch.org. To read passages from the books by Emanuel Swedenborg, visit www.heavenlydoctrines.org.

Accessing the Videos

All the videos associated with these lessons can be found on our YouTube channel at **www.youtube.com/ncsundayschools**. The easiest way to view the videos that are part of this program is to watch them live on the internet using the individual links provided in the lessons.

Note: www.bitly.com links are case sensitive.

If you do not have internet access where you teach, we suggest you download videos to your computer where you do have internet access. You can show videos later using your laptop, phone, etc.

Downloading Videos

- 1. Download and install an "Easy YouTube Downloader" onto your computer or device from the internet (free). Search for one that works with your browser.
- 2. Go to the video link provided in this book.
- 3. Look for a button that says "Download" at the bottom of the YouTube viewing window.
- 4. Click on the Download button. A menu of file size and format choices will appear next to the button. Select a download size and format that is suitable for the device you plan to use.
- 5. Click to download the video in your chosen format. Save to show later. **Note**: mp3 formats are sound only. This is ideal for downloading songs for young children. Add the songs to your iTunes playlist and enjoy all week!

Allow plenty of time to download longer videos. Download time varies depending on internet speed, the format you choose, etc.

If you distribute individual lessons from this book to Sunday School teachers, make sure they have these video directions as well.