

- (Was Remembrance too)

Getting Ready (Chat with Children)

- What do you need to do get ready for school each morning?
 - How long do you take to get ready in the morning?

 - Story of my mum's brother (I think!), being made to go back and clean each different bit he'd forgotten before being allowed to go out...

 - Thinking this morning about how God gets us ready to serve him:
 - won't ever give up on helping us be ready to serve him...
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What happened on the journey?

- What did Joseph talk to God about on the walk south? (a month or so's journey on foot)
 - beginning of a process towards a trust in God that resulted in going God's way...?

Landing on his feet

- Lord was with Joseph even in his rejection by family, his enslavement...

Joseph seems ready

- All the stuff about household prospering, being given responsibility...
 - looks - humanly - like he's ready to hit the big time...

"With me in charge"

- But, here's the problem!
 - despite resisting temptation, which is certainly good!
 - Joseph still sees himself at the centre of things; he's the key player, not God!

Lord was with Joseph... in his humbling

- Still...

Application

- Accept humbling?
 - accept rebuke when deserved?
- From hymn, "Lord, for the years":
 - Lord, for ourselves, in living power remake us:
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne