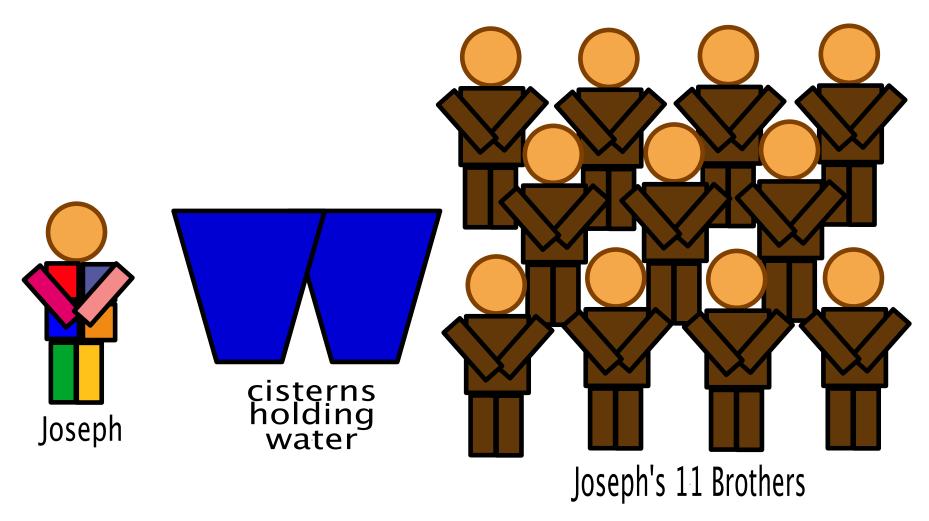


Now Israel (Jacob) loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made a richly ornamented robe for him.

When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

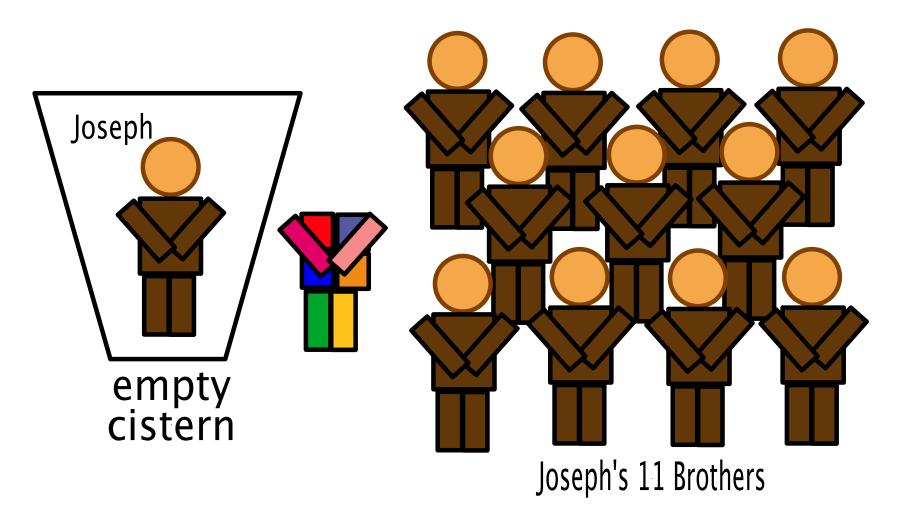
Genesis 37:3-4



So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

They said to each other. "Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him."

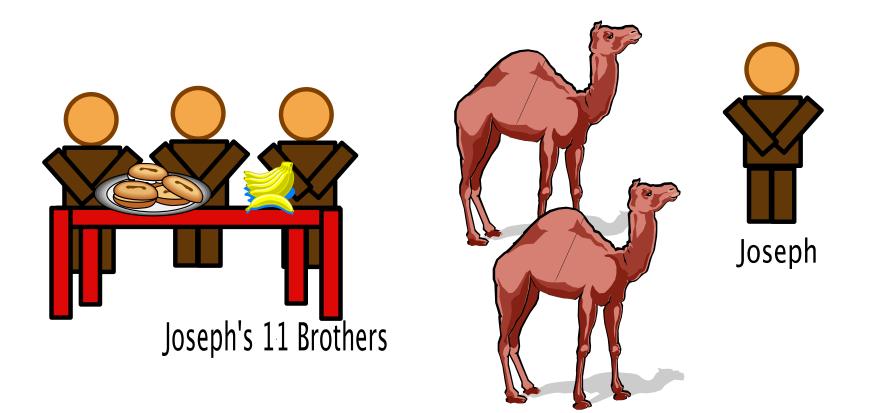
Genesis 37:17-20



When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. "Let's not take his life," he said. "Throw him into this cistern here in the desert, but don't lay a hand on him." Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the richly ornamented robe he was wearingand they took him and threw him into the cistern. Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

Genesis 37:21-24



As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt.

So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.

Genesis 37:25-28