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Activity 3 Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام

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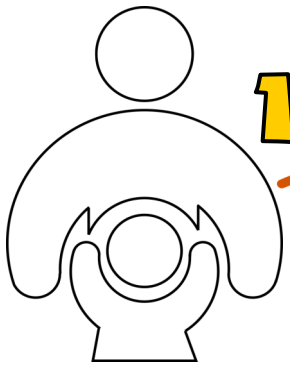

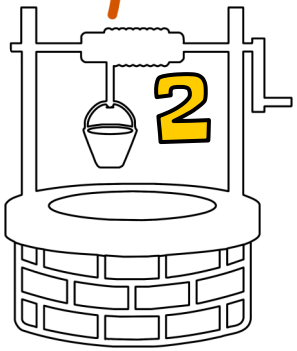

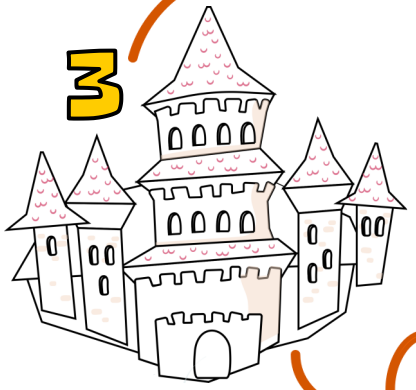

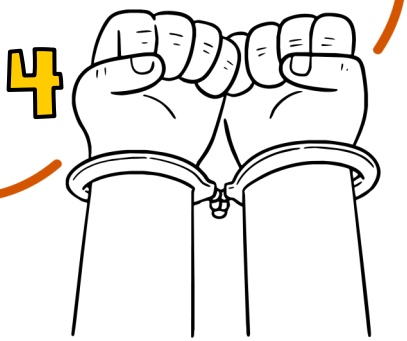

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The Story of Yusuf عليه السلام ...

Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام was the son of Prophet Yaqub عليه السلام. Yaqub عليه السلام loved Yusuf عليه السلام very much but his other brothers were jealous and plotted against Yusuf عليه السلام. As a young boy, Yusuf عليه السلام was thrown into a well by his brothers. Some travellers rescued him and sold him into slavery in Egypt to the King.

King

Yusuf عليه السلام did not do the evil things the King's wife ordered him to do, so the king put Yusuf into prison. Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام lived in the prison for a long time where he taught the people about Tawheed - believing in only one God.

Dreams

The King had the same dream many times. He was told that Yusuf عليه السلام had the ability to understand the meaning of dreams. After being found innocent of the original crime, Yusuf عليه السلام helped the king.

Famine

A long famine was coming so Yusuf عليه السلام stockpiled all the extra grain in the good years and helped save the people in the famine years.

Many years later, during the famine, Yusuf's brothers came to Egypt for food. Yusuf عليه السلام forgave and welcomed them. Yusuf عليه السلام loved his family and called his father, mother and their whole family to Egypt, where he could take care of them.

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Journey to Egypt

Prophet Ishaq ﷺ lived in Jerusalem and took care of Masjid Al Aqsa.

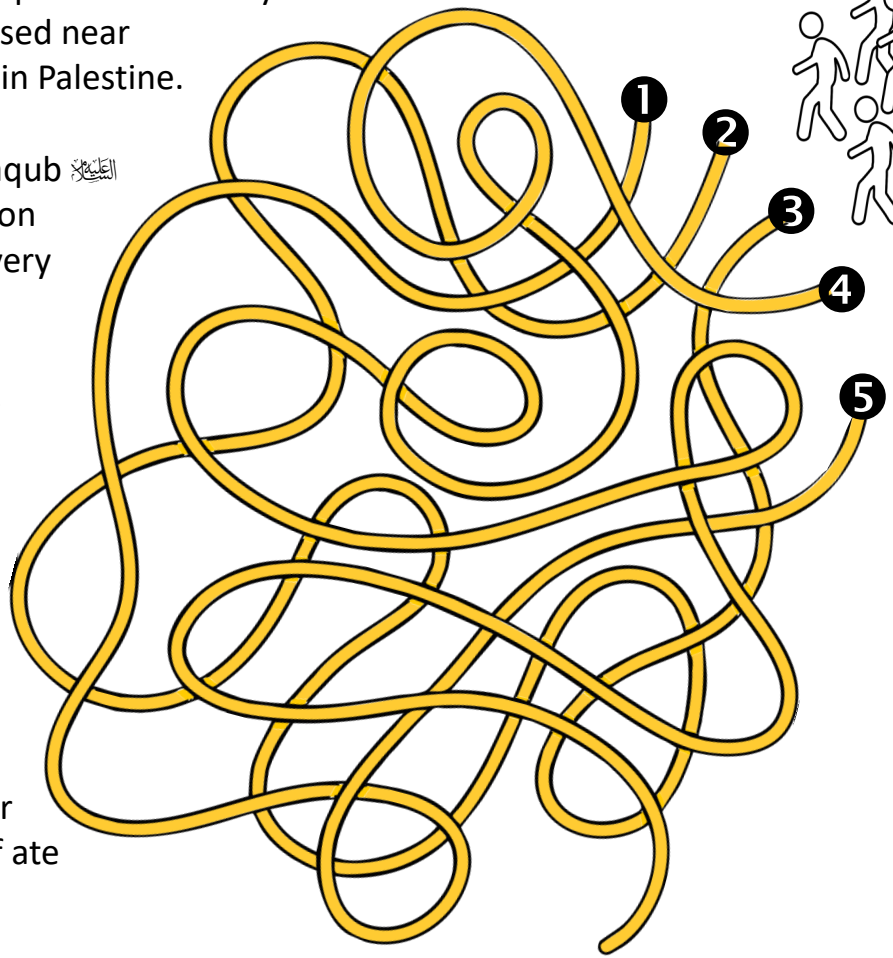
Prophet Yaqub ﷺ had many sons who he raised near Jerusalem in Palestine.

Prophet Yaqub ﷺ loved his son Yusuf ﷺ very much.

Yusuf's ﷺ brothers were very jealous of him. They threw him into a well. They then told their father that a wolf ate Yusuf ﷺ.

Yusuf ﷺ was taken from this well by travellers and sold as a slave in Egypt.

Which route did Yusuf ﷺ take?



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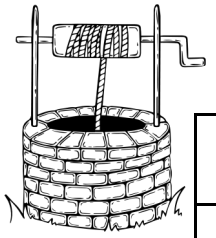

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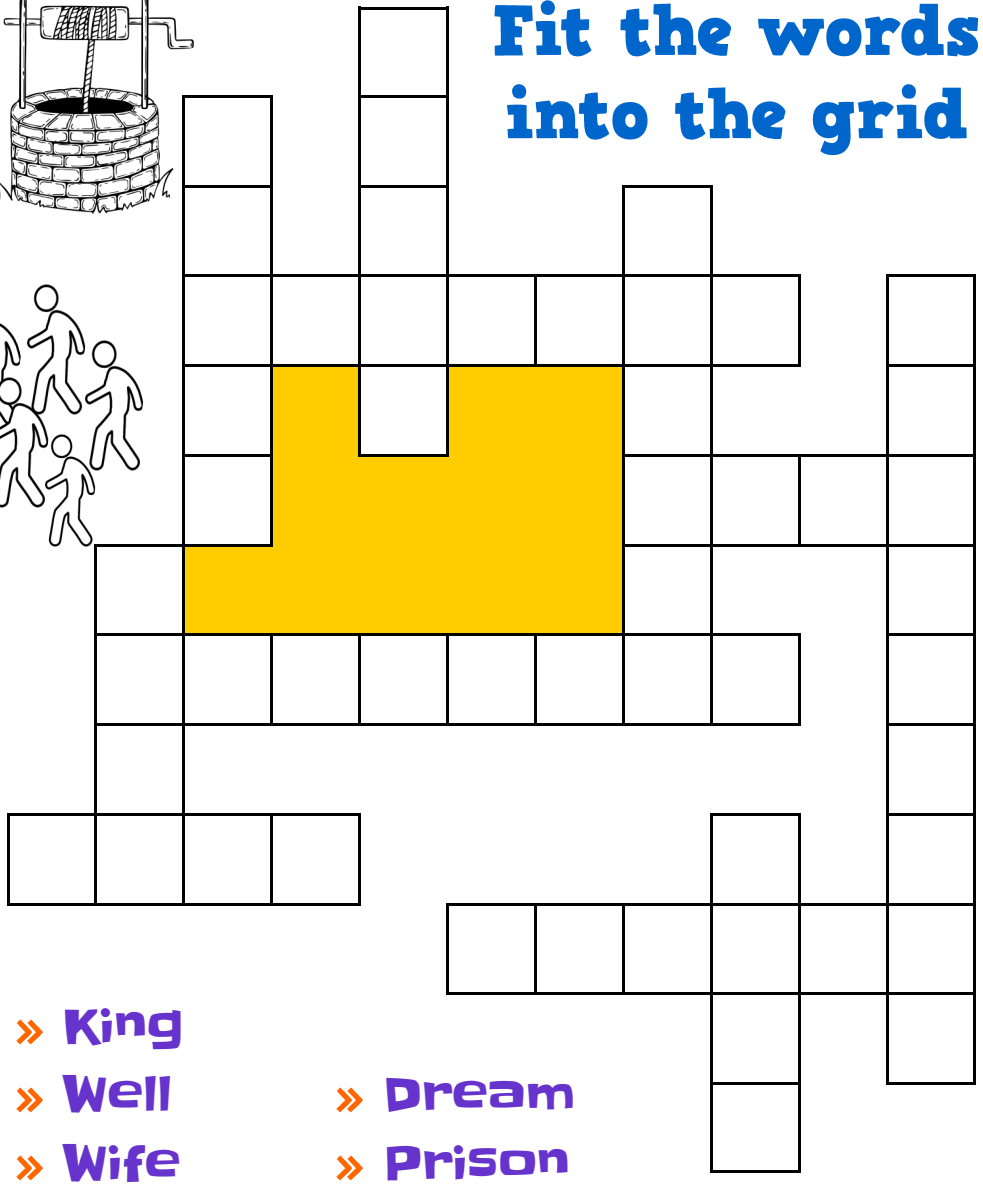

- King
- Well
- Wife
- Sabr
- Yusuf
- Dream
- Prison
- Famine
- Slavery
- Innocent
- Jerusalem

How is each word linked to the story of Yusuf ﷺ ?

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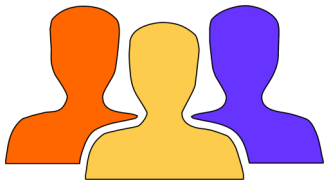
FAMILY TREE

Look at the clues and complete the family tree



1. Who was known as the Khalil of Allah ﷻ?
2. Who was Prophet Ibrahim's first wife?
3. Who did Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام leave with baby Ismail in an empty valley?
4. Who built the Holy Ka'bah with his father?
5. Who was the last and final prophet?
6. Who built Masjid Al Aqsa with his father?
7. Who had many sons and lived in Palestine?
8. Who was able to tell the meaning of dreams ?

From slavery to Prison

1. Slavery

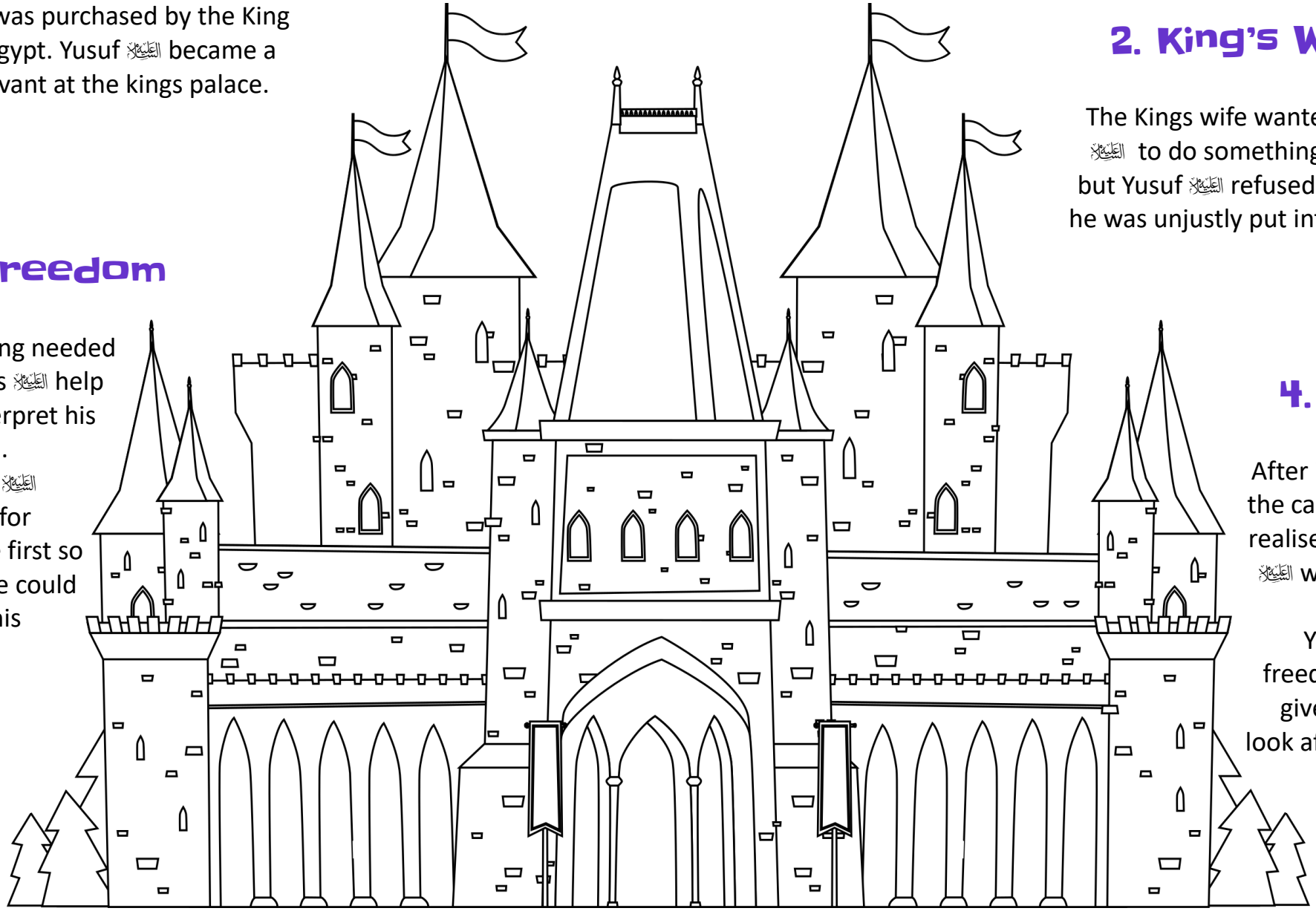
Yusuf ﷺ was sold into slavery and was purchased by the King in Egypt. Yusuf ﷺ became a servant at the kings palace.

2. King's Wife

The Kings wife wanted Yusuf ﷺ to do something wrong but Yusuf ﷺ refused. For this he was unjustly put into prison.

3. Freedom

The King needed Yusuf's ﷺ help to interpret his dream. Yusuf ﷺ asked for justice first so that he could clear his name.



4. Judge

After investigating the case fully, they realised that Yusuf ﷺ was innocent.

Yusuf ﷺ was freed and he was given the job to look after the food before the famine.

Helping Others

The King appointed Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام in charge of collecting and storing the grain during the years of good harvest.

When the time of famine came, the people were able to get food. The stored food helped the people survive through difficult times.

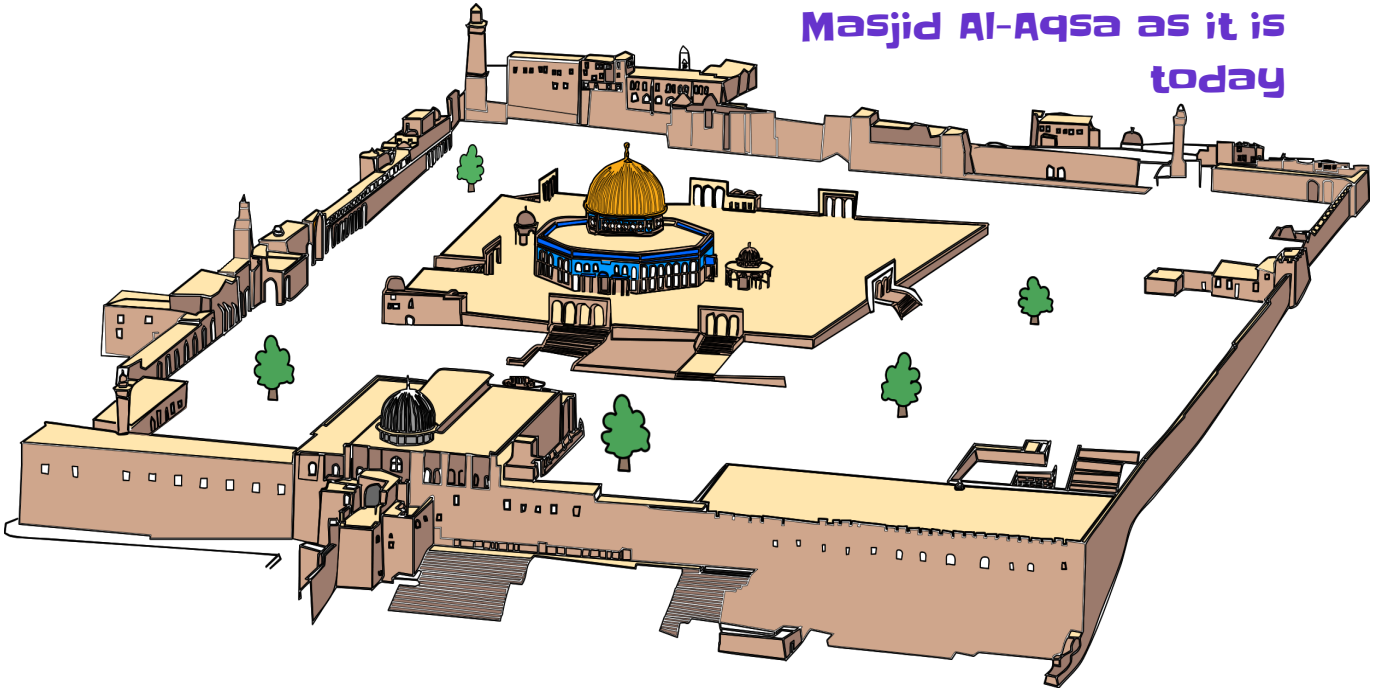
The famine also effected the people in Jerusalem. The brothers of Yusuf عليه السلام went to Egypt to get food for their families.

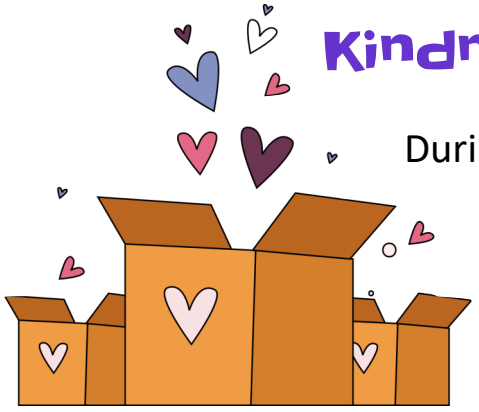
It was here, that Yusuf عليه السلام recognised his brothers and eventually invited them all to come and live with him in Egypt.

His father, Prophet Yaqub عليه السلام, was now an old man and tears of joy flowed from his eyes when he finally met his son Yusuf عليه السلام.

Masjid Al-Aqsa was left unattended and soon fell into ruin. The Palestinians continued to live in and around Jerusalem. Many generations grew up and lived in this blessed land.

Masjid Al-Aqsa as it is today





Kindness of Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام

During the famine, the people from Jerusalem needed food. They travelled to Egypt and asked for help. Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام helped them and gave them food. This shows the kind nature and generosity of Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام.

Time to Think

1 Family

Yusuf ﷺ went missing from his family when he was very young. His father Yaqub ﷺ was heart broken. They met many years later when Yusuf was a young man. Yaqub ﷺ was so happy and grateful to Allah ﷻ.

The bond of love between parents and children is special. We should love and cherish our parents.

2 Patience (Sabr)

Yusuf ﷺ, despite being innocent, was put in prison. However, he continued to worship Allah ﷻ and remained patient.

Many years later, he was found innocent and given a very high and honoured status in Egypt. We should also have sabr when times are difficult.

3 Jealousy

Yusuf's brothers were jealous of Yusuf ﷺ. They knew that their father loved him very much.

Sometimes jealousy can make us do wrong things. We should not have jealousy in our hearts, but we should remove all negative emotions from our lives.

4 Gift

Yusuf ﷺ was given the gift of interpreting dreams. He used this gift to help people and saved many lives.
Allah ﷻ has given us all gifts and talents. We should use them to do good.

5 Forgiveness

Yusuf ﷺ forgave his brothers when they came to Egypt for help. The brothers were overwhelmed with the generosity of Yusuf ﷺ. The whole family left Jerusalem and began to live with him in Egypt.

We all have a duty to look after people. We should help those in need, and we should forgive others – even if they were mean to us.