

Today we're back in Genesis and we're going to see that the Lord

provides for his people in this world, but he doesn't want us to be at home in this world.

Firstly, we're going to look at how God treats his people and we're going to see that God

separates them and provides for them.

Joseph tells his brothers to make sure they tell Pharaoh that they are

shepherds and they do so. So Pharaoh gives them a

separate and good land on the edge of Egypt to live in. This means they are not split up throughout Egypt but

kept all together in one place, so when the time comes for God to take them out of Egypt and to his

promised land, they are all together.

As Christians we can learn from this, God wants us to be

different from

people around us who do not know and love Him. We are not to be really 'at home' in this world.

Next, we see how God works in one man:

Jacob.

Jacob had changed because God had changed him and at the end of his life, he

showed trust in God and that

he understood that Egypt was not his real home. He knew that God would

lead his people to the promised

land but even more than that, he knew that God would one day bring his people to the new creation, their real home.

Pray with your grown-up, asking God to help you trust Him to lead you to his new creation and to live in a way that shows that is your real home.

Colour the picture of Jacob seeing Joseph again in Egypt.



The new
creation is
our home