**Jacob and Sons**

(Everyone Narrators Brothers)

1. Way way back many centuries ago,

Not long after the Bible began  
Jacob lived in the land of Canaan,

A fine example of a family man  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

depended on farming to earn their keep  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Spent all of their days in the fields with sheep

1. Jacob was the founder of a whole new nation,  
   Thanks to the number of children he'd had  
   He was also known as Israel but most of the time  
   His sons and his wives used to call him dad  
   Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Men of the soil, of the sheaf and crook  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

A remarkable family in anyone's book

1. Reuben was the eldest of the children of Israel,  
   With Simeon and Levi the next in line  
   Napthali and Isaachar with Asher and Dan,  
   Zebulun and Gad took the total to nine  
   Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Benjamin and Judah, which leaves only one  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Joseph, Jacob's favourite son

Jacob, Jacob and sons

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Jacob, Jacob, Jacob, Jacob and sons

**Joseph’s Coat**

1. (Jacob) Joseph's mother, she was quite my favourite wife  
   I never really loved another all my life  
   And Joseph was my joy because  
   He reminded me of her

Through young Joseph, Jacob lived his youth again  
Loved him, praised him, gave him all he could, but then  
It made the rest feel second best  
And even if they were --

Being told were also-rans  
Does not make us Joseph fans

But where they have really missed the boat is

We're great guys but no-one seems to notice  
Joseph's charm and winning smiles  
Fail to slay them in the aisles

And their father couldn't see the danger  
He could not imagine any danger  
He just saw in Joseph all his dreams come true

1. Jacob wanted to show the world he loved his son  
   To make it clear that Joseph was the special one  
   So Jacob bought his son a coat  
   A multi-coloured coat to wear

Joseph's coat was elegant, the cut was fine  
The tasteful style was the ultimate in good design  
And this is why it caught the eye  
A king would stop and stare

And when Joseph tried it on  
He knew his sheepskin days were gone

Such a dazzling coat of many colours

How he loved his coat of many colours  
In a class above the rest  
It even went well with his vest

Such a stunning coat of many colours  
How he loved his coat of many colours  
It was red and yellow and green and brown and blue

1. Joseph's brothers weren't too pleased with what they saw

We had never liked him all that much before  
And now this coat  
Has got our goat  
We feel life is unfair

And when Joseph graced the scene  
His brothers turned a shade of green  
His astounding clothing took the biscuit

Quite the smoothest person in the district

(Joseph) \*I look handsome, I look smart  
I am a walking work of art  
Such a dazzling coat of many colours  
How I love my coat of many colours

It was red and yellow and green and brown  
And scarlet and black and ochre and peach  
And ruby and olive and violet and \* fawn (+ Joseph)  
And lilac and gold and chocolate and mauve  
And cream and crimson and silver and rose  
And azure and lemon and russet and grey  
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**Joseph’s dreams**

Joseph's coat annoyed his brothers  
  
But what makes us mad  
Are the things that Joseph tells us of

The dreams he’s often had  
  
(Joseph) I dreamed that in the fields one day,  
The corn gave me sign  
Your eleven sheaves of corn all turned and bowed to mine  
My sheaf was quite a sight to see a golden sheaf and tall  
Yours were green and second-rate  
And really rather small  
  
This is not the kind of thing we brothers like to hear  
It seems to us that Joseph and his dreams should disappear  
  
(Joseph) I dreamed I saw eleven stars,  
The sun the moon and sky  
Bowing down before my star, it made me wonder why  
Could it be that I was born for higher things than you?  
A post in someone's government, a ministry or two?  
  
  
The dreams of our dear brother are the decade's biggest yawn  
His talk of stars and goldens sheaves is just a load of corn  
Not only is he tactless but he's also rather dim  
For there's eleven of us and there's only one of him  
The dreams of course will not come true  
That is, we think they won't come true  
That is, we hope they won't come true  
What if he's right all along?  
  
The dreams are more than crystal clear, the writing on the wall  
Means that Joseph some day soon will rise above us all  
The accuracy of the dreams we brothers do not know  
But one thing we are sure about  
The dreamer has to go!

**Poor, poor Joseph**

Next day, far from home,  
The brothers planned the repulsive crime

Let us grab him now,  
Do him in, while we’ve got the time

This they did and made the most of it  
Tore his coat and flung him in pit

Let us leave him here,  
All alone, and he's bound to die

When some Ishmaelites,  
A hairy crew, came riding by  
In a flash the brothers changed their plan

We need cash. Let's sell him if we can

Poor, poor Joseph, what'cha gonna do?  
Things look bad for you, hey, what'cha gonna do?  
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Could you use a slave,  
You hairy bunch of Ishmaelites?  
Young, strong, well-behaved,  
Going cheap and he reads and writes

In a trice the dirty deal was done  
Silver coins for Jacob's favourite son  
Then the Ishmaelites  
Galloped off with the slave in tow  
Off to Egypt where Joseph was not keen to go  
It wouldn't be a picnic he could tell

(Joseph) And I don't speak Egyptian very well!

Joseph's brothers tore  
His precious multi-coloured coat  
Having ripped it up,  
They next attacked a passing goat  
Soon the wretched creature was no more  
They dipped his coat in blood and guts and gore

Oh now brothers, how low can you stoop?  
You make a sordid group, hey, how low can you stoop?  
Poor, poor Joseph, sold to be a slave  
Situation's grave, hey, sold to be a slave

**One More Angel In Heaven (Turtles)**

1. Father, we've something to tell you  
   A story of our time  
   A tragic but inspiring tale of manhood in its prime

You know you had a dozen sons... well now that's not quite true  
But feel no sorrow—do not grieve he would not want you to

*There's one more angel in heaven  
There's one more star in the sky  
Joseph, we'll never forget you  
It's tough but we're gonna get by  
There's one less place at our table  
There's one more tear in my eye  
But Joseph, the things that you stood for  
(solo) Like love and peace never die*

1. Joseph died as he wished to, he answered duty’s call

He single-handed fought the beast that would have killed us all

His blood-stained coat is tribute to his final sacrifice  
His body may be past its peak but his soul's in paradise

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(solo) Like truth and light never die*

(spoken) 3. When I think of his last great battle  
A lump comes to my throat  
It takes a man who knows no fear  
To wrestle with a goat

(singing) Carve his name with pride and courage  
Let no tear be shed  
If he had not laid down his life  
We all would now be dead

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But Joseph, the things that you stood for  
(solo) Like truth and light never die*

*Like democracy will never die*

*Like smelly socks will never die*

*Like*

**Potiphar**

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1. Potiphar had very few cares  
He was one of Egypt's millionaires.  
Having made a fortune buying shares  
In... (Potiphar) pyramids!  
Potiphar had made a huge pile  
Owned a large percentage of the Nile,  
Meant that he could really live in style and he did.  
  
Joseph was an unimportant slave who found he liked his master  
Consequently worked much harder  
Even with devotion.  
  
Potiphar could see that Joseph was a cut above the av'rage,  
Made him leader of his household  
Maximum promotion.  
  
Potiphar was cool and so fine,  
But his wife would never toe the line  
Its all there in chapter 39 of Genesis.  
She was beautiful but evil,  
Saw a lot of men against his will.  
He would have to tell her that she still was his.  
  
Joseph's looks and handsome figure had attracted her attention  
Every morning she would beckon  
(Mrs Potiphar) "Come and sit with me Joe".  
  
Joseph wanted to resist her till one day she proved too eager.  
Joseph cried in vain  
(Joseph) "Please stop! I don't believe in free love!"  
  
Potiphar was counting shekels in his den below the bedroom  
When he heard a mighty rumpus  
Clattering above him.  
  
Suddenly he knew his riches couldn't buy him what he wanted,  
Gold would never make him happy  
If she didn't love him.  
  
Letting out a mighty roar, (ROOAAARR!!) Potiphar burst through the door.  
(Potiphar) "Joseph I'll see you rot in jail,  
The things you have done are beyond the pale!"  
  
Poor poor Joseph locked up in a cell  
Things ain't going well hey  
Locked up in a cell

**Close Every Door**

Close every door to me, hide all the world from me  
Bar all the windows and shut out the light

Do what you want with me, hate me and laugh at me  
Darken my daytime and torture my night

If my life were important I would ask will I live or die  
But I know the answers lie far from this world

Close every door to me, keep those I love from me  
Children of Israel are never alone

For I know I shall find my own peace of mind  
For I have been promised a land of my own

(instrumental break)

Just give me a number instead of my name  
Forget all about me and let me decay

I do not matter, I'm only one person  
Destroy me completely then throw me away

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**Go Go Go Joseph**

1. Joseph's luck was really out, his spirit and his fortune low  
   Alone he sat, alone he thought of happy times he used to know  
     
   Hey dreamer, don't be so upset  
   Hey Joseph, you're not beaten yet  
   Go, go go Joseph you know what they say  
   Hang on now Joseph you'll make it some day  
   Sha la la Joseph you’re doing fine  
   You and your dreamcoat ahead of your time
2. The prison walls were wet and black

His chains were heavy, weighed him down

A candle was his only light, the hungry rats the only sound

Hey dreamer, don't be so upset  
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In the prison cell with Joseph  
Were two very frightened men  
  
(Baker & Butler)  
We don't think that we will ever  
See the light of day again  
Hey Joseph, help us if you can  
We've had dreams that we don't understand  
  
Both men were servants of Pharaoh the King  
Both in the doghouse for doing their thing  
One was a baker, a cook in his prime  
One was a butler, the Jeeves of his time  
  
(Joseph) Tell me of your dreams my friends  
And I will tell you what they show  
Though I cannot guarantee  
To get it right, I'll have a go  
  
First the butler, trembling took the floor  
Nervously he spoke of what he saw

(Butler) There I was standing in front of a vine  
I picked some grapes and I crushed them to wine  
I gave some to Pharaoh who drank from my cup  
I tried to interpret but I had to give up  
  
(Joseph) You will soon be free, my friend  
So do not worry any more  
The king will let you out of here  
You'll buttle as you did before  
  
Next the baker rose to tell his dream  
Hoping it would have a similar theme  
  
(Baker) There I was standing with baskets of bread  
High in the sky I saw birds overhead  
Who flew to my baskets and ate every slice  
Give me the message, like his would be nice  
  
(Joseph) Sad to say your dream is not  
The kind of dream I'd like to get  
Pharaoh has it in for you  
Your execution date is set  
Don't rely on all I said I saw  
It's just that I have not been wrong before  
  
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Hang on now Joseph you'll make it some day  
Sha la la Joseph you're doing fine  
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