

BIBLE LESSON BOOKLET

SPARK (ID) CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OF FIRST CHURCH



BIBLE STORY MOSES IN A BASKET Exodus 1:22-2:10

Today's bible story takes place in a place called Egypt. The people of Israel, who loved god, were living in Egypt, but they were treated very badly. They had to do everything the king of Egypt, Pharaoh, told them to do - day and night. the Israelites Pharaoh loved being in power. But because there were so many people from Israel, who he was treating so badly, he was scared that one day, they would get together and kick him out! So, Pharaoh made a plan to get rid of all the baby boys. I'm sure were sad and felt helpless. that made all the Israelite parents feel helpless. But let's see how God shows up to During the time when Pharaoh was tracking down helpless babies, a mom gave birth to a baby boy. She loved the baby boy so much and she decided to hide him She probably felt helpless, she did the only thing she could think of. She took a fro three whole months, so that Pharaoh couldn't find him! basket and used it as a boat for her baby. She place him in the boat and sent him help. down the river. She prayed to God that someone kind would rescue her baby. Pharaoh's daughter, the princess, noticed the helpless baby in the basket and decided to take the baby as her own. She named him Moses. God saved this little Miriam, baby Moses' sister, saw this whole thing happen. She asked the princess if she needed help taking care of the baby. Pharaoh's daughter said yes! And do you know what Miriam did? She took the baby right back to his real mother! god helped baby Moses, his mom, and his sister. God helped them when they were baby! feeling helpless. god helps us, too!

QUESTION??

WHAT ARE SOME WAYS GOD HELPS US WHEN WE FEEL HELPLESS?

God helps us when we're helpless.

My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of

heaven and earth. O

Psalm 121:2

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BIBLE STORY

GOD CALLS MOSES Exodus 3:1-14, 4:1-17

Moses had a pretty good life until one day, as a grownup, he made a big mistake. He got into a fight with some guys. He ran away from Egypt and began a brand new life. One day, while Moses was outside taking care of his sheep, he saw something in the When Moses went to take a closer look at the bush, the bush started talking! If a distance. He saw a bush on fire, but the bush wasn't burning up! bush could talk, what do you think it would say? But the bush wasn't actually talking. God was in the bush and talking to Moses! Moses took off his sandals to show that this place was a holy place — it was a way of showing respect for God. God had a message for Moses. God wanted Moses to go back to Egypt to bring God's people, the Israelites, out of Egypt. What a big job God asked Moses to do! Do You think Moses was happy to do this big job for God? Actually, Moses didn't want to go! Moses told God that he didn't think he was good enough to do the job. Moses But God knew better! It didn't matter that Moses was full of weaknesses and thought maybe God should send someone else instead. mistakes from the past. God told Moses that he wouldn't be alone because God First, God said Moses could take his brother, Aaron, along to help Moses talk to the people. Then, God gave Moses a special staff — which is a big stick that some people use to help them walk — that God was going to use to perform miracles so would help Moses! Now, Moses was ready to go to Egypt to rescue the people of Israel from Pharaoh! that the people in Egypt would see the power of God.

QUESTION??

HOW DO YOU THINK GOD CAN HELP YOU FEEL STRONG EVEN WHEN YOU ARE FEELING WEAK?

God helps us in our weakness.

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BIBLE STORY

PLAGUES AND PASSOVER EXODUS 7:14-10:29, 12:21-30

When Moses was a grownup, God asked Moses to do a very important job — to help free the NTIELT MOSES was a grownup, Gou asked Moses to do a very important job — to neip nee the Israelites from mean Pharaoh. Moses didn't think he could do it, but God helped him. Now, let's see Must happens next in the story. Moses obeyed God and went to Egypt to see Pharaoh, just like God told him to do. The people of Israel were being treated unfairly and just wanted to be free. So, Moses had one message for Then, a bunch of terrible things, called plagues, happened. There were ten plagues in all. what happens next in the story. First, all the water turned into blood. Moses said, "Let my people go!" But Pharaoh said, "No." Pharaoh, "Let my people go!" But Pharaoh said, "No!" Second, there were frogs everywhere. Moses said, "Let my people go!" But Pharaoh said, "No." Third, the dust turned into gnats, or little tiny bugs that filled the air. Moses said, "Let my people and the air." Moses said, "Let my people and the air." Moses said, "Let my people and the air. Moses said, "Let my people and the air." Moses said, "Let my people and the air "Moses said" and "Let my people and the air "Moses said" and "Let my people and the air "Moses said" and "Let my people Inite, the ouse turned into graas, or title uny ougs that filled the arrivoses saw, Lettiny people go!" But Pharaoh said, "No." The fourth plague was yucky flies! For the fifth plague, all the horses Source and sheep died. In plague number six, the people and animals of Egypt got these things Cove, and sneep ded, in plague number six, the people and animals of Egypt got mese things called boils, which are like painful sores, all over their skin. Moses said, "Let my people go!" But Pharaoh said, "No." Seventh, it rained ice, which is called hail. Eighth, bugs, called locusts, at up all the plants. Ninth, everything went dark and no one could see for three days! Moses said, "Let an the plants. Ninth, everything went dark and no one could see for three days moses saw, Let my people go!" But Pharaoh said, "No." Finally, the tenth plague came and it was the worst one. All But God knew what was going to happen, so God sent Moses to tell the Israelite people to protect themselves. Moses told the Israelite people to take the blood of a lamb and put some of it on the the oldest sons in each Egyptian home died in their sleep. themselves, woses too the israence people to take the proof of a tamp and pursoine or rounded to a tamp and pass over the homes and save This is why, even today, people celebrate Passover every year. It's to remember the time when the After the tenth plague, Pharaoh said - you guessed it - yes. The Israelites were finally free! Let's all plague of death "passed over" God's people and spared their lives. the people inside.

QUESTION??

HOW CAN YOU HELP SOMEONE ELSE IN **TROUBLE?**

cheer for the Israelite people!

God helps when we're in trouble.

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BIBLE STORY

MANNA AND WATER Exodus 15:22-25, 16:1-16

We are picking up the story today after the Israelites were set free after they had been slaves in Egypt for a very long time. God called Moses to lead them out of Egypt and they were going to the Promised Land. So, now that they are free, they were excited, right? Wrong. They quickly forgot how God had helped them escape Egypt and began to complain. What did they complain about? They were feeling so sorry for themselves, they began to think that it would have been better for them to stay as slaves in Egypt! Moses didn't know what to do, so he Even though whining and complaining is not the best way to talk to God, God still helped the people. God gave Moses some pro tips to help the people. When the Israelites came across bitter water, God showed Moses a piece of wood he could throw in the water to make it drinkable. Later on, God told Moses that the prayed to God. people will have real food - a special bread called, manna, and a bird similar to chicken called, quail - which were going to fall from the sky, and they would The people got thirsty and whiny again and this time, God told Moses to strike a rock and water came out from it! Again and again, God helped Moses help the Israelites. Moses cared enough about the Israelites to keep asking God for always have enough to eat. answers. And God was loving enough to help... and is still helping today! What's more, God gives us the tools we need to go help others.

QUESTION??

CAN YOU THINK OF A TIME WHEN YOU MIGHT FIND IT HARD TO HELP OTHERS?

God helps us help others.

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