

# Early Life of Moses

Exodus 1:1 - 2:10

## The Story

Parents: Review this lesson with your child

God blessed Abraham's family. They grew to be a large nation and were called the Israelites. They had to live in Egypt for a time because there was no food in their country.

At first the Israelites, Abraham's family, were treated well in Egypt. But after many years the king of Egypt, or Pharaoh, became afraid of the large nation. He decided that he would try to make them weak by turning them into slaves. He made them work very hard building his cities. But still, the people continued to grow larger and stronger.

Then Pharaoh thought of an evil plan. He would command that each Israelite baby boy be thrown into the river and killed. Many Israelite babies died because of this plan. But one mother, whose baby was Moses, decided that she could not let her baby boy die. She believed that God would help her think of a plan to save Moses. She hid him for 3 months until he became too big to hide. Then she made a basket out of reeds and filled the cracks with tar so that it would float. She put Moses among the reeds in the river. The baby's sister, Miriam, watched him from a distance to make sure that nothing bad happened to him.

Later, God led the daughter of the evil king near the water, where she found Moses. She felt sorry for him, and took him out of the basket. When Miriam, Moses's sister, offered to find someone to take care of the baby until he was bigger, the king's daughter agreed.

Miriam took Moses back to his own mother! The mother was overjoyed that she could take care of her baby again! She taught him about the LORD and how He would send His Son to die for the sins of the world. When the boy was old enough to leave his mother, he became the son of the king's daughter, but always remembered

what his mother taught him about his LORD.

One day the LORD would use Moses to help His people leave Egypt and go to their own land.

*God's people suffered under Pharaoh.  
God will help those who believe in Him.*

## Passage

Romans 8:31b If God is for us, who can be against us?

## Hymn TLH 648 v. 1

I am Jesus' little lamb,  
Ever glad at heart I am;  
For my Shepherd gently guides me,  
Knows my need, and well provides me,  
Loves me ev'ry day the same,  
Even calls me by my name.

## Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, Thank You for taking care of baby Moses and taking care of me. Be with me until I go to heaven to be with You and all believers. In Jesus' name. Amen



# Classroom Art Activity - Moses in a Basket

Have the children color the Baby Moses and cut out. Cut and assemble the basket and place the Baby Moses in it.



