The Exodus Story with Moses Lesson Book
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The Hebrews (Israelites) were being forced into slavery by the Pharaoh in Egypt. Now the Pharaoh began to notice that the number of Hebrews were growing. In fact, he became very concerned that if they realized how many of them there were, they could challenge the Egyptians and take over Egypt. He needed a way to keep the Hebrew population from growing and fast!

After much thought, the Pharaoh had the perfect plan. He sent out an order that every Hebrew boy child be killed. The boys were to be thrown into the Nile River where they would drown. The girls could live, the boys had to go. This made the Hebrews very sad, but there was nothing they could do about it. It was so cruel.

During this time a Hebrew husband and wife were with child. The baby was born and guess what it was...a boy! The mother looked at her newborn child and could tell that he was very special. She decided to hide him for 3 months. The baby had grown too big to hide any longer. She just had to do something to prevent her baby from being thrown into the Nile River. What could she do?

She made a basket and placed the baby in it. She gently set the basket in some tall grass along the Nile. The baby's older sister followed him and watched to see what would happen. To her surprise, the Pharaoh's daughter had come down to the Nile to take a bath. She spotted the basket and had her servant fetch it.
The servant brought the basket to the princess. She opened it up and to her surprise there was a baby boy! She realized this was a Hebrew baby, but she felt sorry for him because he was crying. She looked around and at that time the baby's older sister jumped out of the tall grass.

The sister said, "Do you want me to find a Hebrew woman to nurse this child for you?" The Pharaoh's daughter agreed. The baby's mother came to the princess who offered to pay her to nurse the child. The princess instructed that once the baby was weaned, he must be returned to her to be her son.

The mother did as she was told. The Pharaoh's daughter welcomed him in her arms. She said, "I pulled this baby out of the water, so his name will be Moses."

**Key Passage Memory Verse Activity:**

She named him Moses. She said, “I pulled him out of the water.” ~ Exodus 2:10 (NIRV)

Use the activity on the next page to help your child learn the memory verse above.
Exodus 2:10

Have child put the puzzle together while saying the memory verse. Repeat until child can say the memory verse without looking at the puzzle pieces.

She named him Moses. She said, "I pulled him out of the water."
Baby Moses Story Sequence

Cut out the cards below. Mix them up and have child put them in the correct order from the Bible story.
Baby Moses Magnetic Story Play

Laminate this page and the next page after printing. Cut out the images below and glue a flat magnet to the back of each image. Use the scene on the next page by gluing a flat magnet to each corner and lying on a cookie sheet. Let your child recreate the Bible story using magnets!
Laminate this page. Glue a flat magnet to each corner and lying on a cookie sheet.
The Burning Bush
Exodus 3 to 4:17

Now Moses was raised by the Pharao's daughter and he grew big and strong. He had all the power that a young prince could imagine and all the wealth he could have ever wanted.

One day Moses was walking around the grounds and watching the Hebrews working hard. One of the guards was hitting a Hebrew and hurting him badly. Something inside Moses knew this was wrong. He was overcome with compassion for the Hebrew and killed the Egyptian guard.

When Moses realized what he had done he fled from the Pharaoh to a land called Midian. Moses made a new life here with his wife and her family. His job was to be a shepherd for his father-in-law, Jethro. While out in the field with his sheep, Moses noticed a burning bush on Mount Horeb. He just had to go check it out.

A voice called to Moses out of the bush, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." This was the voice of God. Moses obeyed. God told Moses that he has seen how the Egyptians were treating the Hebrews. He wanted Moses to go to Egypt to ask the Pharaoh to release God's people from slavery. Fair enough! People are being treated badly, so someone had to save them.
The problem is that Moses was scared. He didn't think he could do this big task. God reassured Moses that he was born just for this reason. He would save the Hebrews through God's strength and guidance. Still skeptical, Moses asked God, "Who shall I say sent me?" God answered, "Tell them 'I AM' has sent me to you."

Next, God commanded Moses to meet with Hebrew elders to let them know that God was going to rescue them. He was going to end their suffering. Still, Moses was scared and not sure he was right for the job.

God asked Moses what he was holding in his hand? He answered it was a walking stick. God instructed Moses to throw the stick on the ground. Guess what it turned into...a snake! When Moses reached for the snake, it turned back to a walking stick.

God assured Moses that He would be with him. He would give him miraculous signs to perform before the Pharaoh until the Pharaoh was willing to let the Hebrews (Israelites) go free from the land of Egypt.

The last reason Moses gave to God for not being able to do this task is that he was not a good speaker. God told Moses that his brother, Aaron, would speak for him. All he had to do was tell Aaron what he wanted to say, and Aaron would deliver the message. God then reminded Moses to take his walking stick with him because God would cause many miracles to be performed with it.
The Burning Bush
Key Passage Memory Verse

“Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals. The place you are standing on is holy ground.” ~ Exodus 3:5
Color by Number

Use this guide to color the previous page.

1 - Yellow
2 - Green
3 - Orange
4 - Brown
5 - Gray
6 - Blue
The Burning Bush
Dice Game
Cut out the template. Put the dice together.

To Play: Have child roll the dice. Have him or her tell you what happened at this part of the Bible Story. Tell the child to give only one fact, in case the same picture is rolled on in a subsequent turn. This way the child can give you another fact for the same picture.
The Ten Plagues

Exodus 7:14 to 12:31

Moses and Aaron (who were brothers) were ready to go! It was time to approach the Pharaoh about letting the Israelites leave Egypt. Was it mentioned that Moses was 80 years old and Aaron 83 years old when they first appeared before Pharaoh? Do you think that is old? In today's time it sure is!

The first meeting didn't go very well. Pharaoh wasn't concerned that Moses and Aaron were sent by God. He refused to let the Israelites go. He needed them because they were slaves who he could control. So, Moses and Aaron did the walking stick turned to a snake trick in front of Pharaoh. Pharaoh had his magicians perform the exact same trick, so he ordered Moses and Aaron to go away.

After regrouping a bit, the brothers went back to Pharaoh. This time after Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go, Moses used the walking stick to turn the Nile River into blood. All the fish died and it began to stink really bad. The Egyptians could not use the water to drink, bathe, or anything! Pharaoh's magicians could do the same trick. All the Egyptians had to do was dig holes near the Nile to get clean water. So, Pharaoh did not let them go.

Plague 1
Water to Blood
A week passed and it was time to go back in. Moses and Aaron confronted Pharaoh. He was still unwilling to let the Israelites go. So, Moses told Pharaoh that the Lord would send a plague of frogs to Egypt. The frogs overtook the land. They were everywhere.

Pharaoh asked Moses to pray to his God and ask that the plague be lifted and he would let the Israelites go. Moses did so and at the appointed time all the frogs died. When seeing this, Pharaoh decided not to let the people go. The plague was gone!

Plague 2
Frogs

The next plague was gnats. Aaron banged the walking stick on the ground and the dust that flew up turned into gnats. The gnats were so thick and landed on people and animals. Pharaoh's magicians said this had to be the work of God because they could not do the same trick. Even with this knowledge Pharaoh would not let God's people go free.

Plague 3
Gnats
God sent Moses and Aaron back to see Pharaoh after a bit. They told him that he needed to set the Israelites free, so they could worship God. Pharaoh said no. So, a plague of flies was set upon Egypt. Moses told Pharaoh that the flies would not harm the Israelites who lived in the town of Goshen. The flies were so large in number that they destroyed the land.

Pharaoh asked Moses to pray to the Lord asking for a sacrifice and then he would let God's people go free. Moses did so. God removed all the flies. Guess what Pharaoh did? Nothing! He did not keep his promise.

Pharaoh sure had a hard head. He felt the Israelites were too valuable as a workforce to him that he just wouldn't give in to the Lord, who sent Moses and Aaron on his behalf. The next plague was harsh. All of the livestock in Egypt died. The Israelites did not lose any of their livestock.
The Lord instructed Moses and Aaron to take ashes from a furnace and throw them up in the air. When the ashes fell they became boils that covered the Egyptians skin. The boils affected the animals that were left from the previous plague, too. Even Pharaoh's magicians were covered with boils and could not challenge this plague. Still, Pharaoh would not let the Israelites go.

Moses delivered a message from God to Pharaoh. He said that if Pharaoh let his people go, the plagues would end. If he didn't then the Lord would send another plague. The message also said, "By now I could have reached out my hand. I could have struck you and your people with a plague that would have wiped you off the earth. But I had a special reason for making you king. I decided to show you my power. I wanted my name to become known everywhere on earth." Pharaoh refused to listen to God's message, so hail rained down on Egypt. It struck people and animals, but did not touch Goshen where the Israelites lived.
Pharaoh appeared to give in this time. He told Moses and Aaron and that he had sinned and that he would let God's people go. Moses knew that Pharaoh had no respect to God, but he prayed for the hail to stop. It did and Pharaoh decided not to let the Israelites go again!

God reassured Moses that every time Pharaoh refused to let His people go free, He was hardening his heart for a reason. By this time Pharaoh's officials were pleading for him to let the Israelites go. They had enough!

Pharaoh brought Moses and Aaron before him and asked who would be leaving, if he let the Israelites go. Moses said every man, woman, child, and all livestock would go. Pharaoh said he would only let men go. Moses said that was not the plan, and the next plague came on Egypt, which was locusts.

Moses reached out his walking stick and God sent the locusts. They ate everything that was left after the hail storm. They were in people's homes, too. It was the worst plague yet!

Plague 8
Locusts
Pharaoh appeared to give in this time. He told Moses and Aaron and that he had sinned and that he would let God's people go. Moses knew that Pharaoh had no respect to God, but he prayed for the hail to stop. It did and Pharaoh decided not to let the Israelites go again!

It was the same old story...Pharaoh asked for forgiveness of his sins, Moses prayed to God, and God took away the locusts. And, guess what Pharaoh did next...Nothing! The Israelites stayed right where they were.

It was time for another plague! Moses told Pharaoh that if he let God's people go, he would not send another plague. Pharaoh refused to listen. God told Moses to reach out his toward the sky and it became very dark. It was so dark that no one could see anything. The Egyptians had to stay in their homes for three days!

**Plague 9**

**Darkness**

Pharaoh said to Moses that men, women, and children could leave now! The livestock had to stay. Moses said no that was not the plan! Pharaoh got very mad and told Moses to go away. If he came back to Egypt, Pharaoh would have him killed.
God told Moses that the last and worst plague was coming to Egypt. This final plague would be so terrible that Pharaoh would let the Israelites go free. This last plague also came with special instructions for the Israelites.

The final plague is death of the firstborn. This included people and animals. The Israelites were instructed to sacrifice a strong and healthy lamb and prepare it for the Lord. They were to take the lamb's blood and paint it above their front door. When God sent the plague, he would avoid killing the firstborn of those who had the lamb's blood above their door.

So, it was that all the firstborn of each Egyptian household died. This included Pharaoh's son. The pain was so great for Pharaoh that he finally kept his word and let the Israelites leave the land of Egypt.

God told the Israelites to celebrate the Passover every year to remember how God freed them from Egyptian oppression. Passover is remembrance of how God "passed over" the houses of the Israelites and spared their firstborn from being killed.
The Ten Plagues

Match the plague picture to the correct plague word(s) by drawing a line.

- Hail
- Locusts
- Death of Firstborn
- Death of Livestock
- Flies
- Boils
- Darkness
- Blood in Water
- Gnats
- Frogs
The Ten Plagues – Am I Livestock?

Livestock are animals that are raised and kept for profit or necessity, such as on a farm.

Circle the animals that would be considered livestock!
The Ten Plagues Mini Book

Cut out the pages and place together in number order. Color the pages and have your own Ten Plagues mini book!

The Ten Plagues

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Plague Number 1

Water into Blood

The Nile River turned into blood. All that was left was red mud!

Page 1
Plague Number 2
Frogs

Egypt was overrun with frogs! They sat on the ground, in houses and on logs.

Page 2

Plague Number 3
Gnats

The Egyptians said, "Oh rats! Look all these gnats."

Page 3

Plague Number 4
Flies

You could hear the Egyptian cries. Their houses were full of flies!
Plague Number 5
Livestock
One Egyptian said, "What happened to my flock?"
The fifth plague killed all the livestock.

Plague Number 6
Boils
The Egyptians were loyal until they got all these boils.

Plague Number 7
Hail
Who will deliver the mail now that there is too much hail?
Plague Number 8
Locusts

The Egyptians said, "It's hard to say in focus. We are covered with locusts."

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Plague Number 9
Darkness

It's hard to see when there is no light. The darkness makes even the morning night!

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Plague Number 10
Death of Firstborn

Pharaoh let my people go or you will be mad. The death of the firstborn made the Egyptians sad!

Page 10
Finally Pharaoh (king of Egypt) was letting the Israelites leave the land. Sounds like things were working out now...or were they!

Moses had a meeting with the Israelites explaining that now was the time God had made for them to be freed from slavery. No longer would they be under Pharaoh's rule. He had gotten all of God's people packed up and ready to leave.

The group traveled to a place called Etham where they camped out. God led the Israelites with a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, so they knew which way to travel. God had promised to take the group to the promised land where they would be their own nation.

When Pharaoh heard that the Israelites were gone he second guessed ever letting them leave. He said, "What have we done? We've let the people of Israel go! We've lost our slaves and all the work they used to do for us!" Quickly he called for a chariot and his army to chase the Israelites and bring them back to Egypt.

The Israelites were gathered at the shore of the Red Sea. They heard the Pharaoh's army coming quickly. They were so afraid and yelled out to Moses, "Why did you bring us here? We want to go back to Egypt. We were better off there!" Moses reassured the people that God was in control.
At the appropriate time Moses reached his hand out over the Red Sea and God caused the water to divide until there was dry land. Now the Israelites could cross the sea on dry land.

Once everyone was safely across Moses reached his hand over the sea again and the waters fell back into place. Most of Pharaoh's army and Pharaoh himself were caught in the middle of the sea and died.

**Key Passage Memory Verse**

The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.
Help us pass through the Red Sea!
Cut out the walking stick and words. Glue the stick on a piece of construction paper. Add the words going down the center of the stick.
Miracles in the Wilderness

Exodus 15:22 to 18:27

Now that the Israelites were safe from the Egyptians they were more than happy to praise God. They were very pleased with Moses now! The Israelites were headed to the land the Lord had promised them, the Promised. But, it was not long before the group became mad.

There were walking through a desert for 3 days. They reached a city and water, but it was not safe to drink. The Israelites told Moses that they were not happy with him. So, Moses called out to God. God told Moses to use his stick in the water and the water became safe to drink.

After a while the crowd became hungry. They took it out on Moses saying, "We wish the Lord had put us to death in Egypt. There we sat around pots of meat. We ate all the food we wanted. But you have brought us out into this desert. You must want this entire community to die of hunger." God heard the Israelites cries and said that He would send bread from heaven so they would have something to eat every day. This bread was called manna.

Let's Make Manna

Preheat oven to 475 degrees prior to mixing ingredients.

2 cups of flour
1 teaspoons of salt
1 tablespoon of olive oil
1 teaspoon honey
1/2 cup of warm water (or more if needed added gradually)

In a large bowl, combine flour and salt. Stir in olive oil with a fork. Gradually add water until you have a nice soft dough. Separate dough into 2 even balls. Roll each dough ball into a circle. Poke the breads with a fork. Drizzle the honey on top. Bake for 3-5 minutes.
God also covered the camp where the Israelites were staying with quail. This was meat for the them.

Now that they were in the desert again after traveling for a bit, the Israelites became thirsty again. They complained to Moses asking him why he took them out of Egypt if they were just going to die of thirst. There was no water around, so Moses called out to God. God instructed Moses to hit a rock with his walking stick. When Moses did this, there was plenty of water coming out of the rock.

An army came to attack the Israelites. Moses sent Joshua to lead their army to fight back. God commanded Moses to hold his walking stick in the air for as long as the battle went on. Every time Moses lowered his arm, the attackers would start winning the battle. Every time Moses raised his arm again, the Israelites were winning. When Moses' arm got too tired to hold the walking stick in the air, Aaron sat Moses down and placed a rock under his arm to keep it in the air. The Israelites won the battle.

This type of behavior went on for years. The Israelites were happy with Moses and praised God. Then they complained. Each time they complained to Moses, God gave them relief. The miracles that God performed through Moses certainly surprised the Israelites and brought back any faith they had lost in the Lord.

**What is a Miracle?**

An event that only God can perform. It cannot be performed any human.
The Lord spoke to Moses. He said, “I am going to come to you in a thick cloud. The people will hear me speaking with you. They will always put their trust in you.” ~ Exodus 19:9
Miracle Sequence

Look at each picture below. Place a "1" under the first miracle mentioned in the Bible story, a "2" under the second miracle, and so on!

Water from Rock
Manna
Quail
Water Made Drinkable
Won the Battle
The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20:1-21

It had been exactly 3 months since God freed the Israelites from Egypt. God called Moses to come to the top of Mt. Sinai. He told Moses to tell the Israelites that He was making them His people. The Israelites were to be more special than all the other nations. What exciting news!

God gave the Israelites a list of ten rules that they were to follow. Obeying these rules would show God that His people respected and loved Him. The rules were called the Ten Commandments.

Here they are:

1 - Do not put any gods in place of God.
   There is only one true God. All other gods are designed by man, but the true God made man.

2 - Do not make idols or worship anything other than God.
   Idols will fail you and they cannot love you. God loves with no questions asked (unconditional love) and He is real.

3 - Do not misuse the Lord's name.
   When you get mad, be careful what you say. Don't use any form of God's name out of anger or frustration.

4 - Keep the Sabbath Day holy.
   God created the world in six days. On the seventh day He rested. God tells us to devote ourselves to Him on this seventh day, known as Sabbath. Christian use this day on Sunday.

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5 - Honor your father and mother.
   You were born as a baby. You need to be cared for to live. God
gave you a father and mother to make sure you are loved and
cared for. One day you will be a father or mother. You will know how
to love and care for your children by the example your parents set
for you.

6 - Do not murder.
   Hurting other people is wrong. God is love.

7 - Do not love anyone like you love your family.
   Husbands and wives have a special relationship and the kind of
   love that only the two of them can share.

8 - Do not steal.
   It is wrong to take what doesn't belong to you. Someone worked
   hard to have the things they want or need. Don't take them away.

9 - Do not tell lies.
   Lying is wrong. It can hurt others. It is hard to hide a lie and it makes
   you feel bad on the inside.

10 - Do not want the things your friends have.
    Be happy with what you have. Chances are your friends like some
    of the things you have, too. Play and share together for a happy
    relationship.
Key Passage Memory Verse

Moses said to the people, “Don’t be afraid. God has come to test you. He wants you to have respect for him. That will keep you from sinning.” ~ Exodus 20:20

Create an acrostic poem using the word RESPECT

R______________________________________________________
E______________________________________________________
S______________________________________________________
P______________________________________________________
E______________________________________________________
C______________________________________________________
T______________________________________________________

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Ten Commandments Dice Game
1 - 5

Put the dice together. Have child roll and tell you what the commandment is about.
Ten Commandments Dice Game
6-10

Put the dice together. Have child roll and tell you what the commandment is about.
Do I Have Any Idols?

The Ten Commandments say not to worship any idols. What are idols? Do you have any idols? Let's see...

Place an "X" in the box of anything you like or have at your home.

Video Games
Dog
Money
Cat
TV
Computer
Toys
Bike
Friends

Do you have a Bible at home? Having someone read your Bible to you for 10 to 15 minutes a day is a good way to show God that you love Him above all the other fun things you have at home!

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If I Had a Commandment!

Draw a picture of what your Commandment would be if you could have everyone in the world follow it.

My Commandment is

___________________________________!
The Ark of the Covenant
Exodus 25:10-22

God instructed Moses to build an ark out of the wood. He gave him the exact measurements of how big the ark should be: 3'9" long x 2'3" wide x 2'3" high. In other words, it was very big!

It was covered in pure gold both inside and outside! There were two gold poles to set the ark on top of, so it could be carried by many men. Remember the ark is heavy and large!

The Ten Commandments were placed in the ark.

The cover for the ark was pure gold with two Cherubim facing each other on top of the cover. God promised to speak to Moses from between the two Cherubim. God gave Moses more laws that he was to give to the Israelites. When God was talking to Moses, He was in a cloud over the ark.

A golden jar with manna it was added to the ark to remind the Israelites how God took care of them in the wilderness.

It is important that you know the Ark of the Covenant did not have magical powers. That would be neat, though! God's showing up and talking over the ark was a miracle.
God called Moses to climb up Mount Sinai to talk with him. He had been up the mountain for 40 days and 40 nights. The Israelites were not sure if something had happened to Moses and they grew restless waiting for him to come back down.

Aaron, who was Moses' brother, told the Israelites to take off their gold jewelry and bring them to him. Aaron melted the gold and made an idol for the Israelites. It looked like a calf.

Aaron instructed the Israelites that the next day they would have a feast for the Lord, but this is not what God had wanted. Instead of worshipping Him, they ate and danced around the calf. They thought they were using the calf as a symbol for God, but it wasn't.

God became very angry with the Israelites. He told Moses to go back down the mountain and tell the people how they have sinned against God by growing impatient and making an idol.

Moses took the golden calf and threw it into a fire. Moses then said that anyone who was on the Lord's side should stand by him. Those who were on the Lord's side stood by Moses. The rest of the people were killed by a sword and about 3,000 people died that day.

The believers were blessed by the Lord.
Help Moses Off the Mountain to Get Rid of the Golden Calf

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