LESSON 13

BABY MOSES



Aim: **To show the children how God protected a small baby called Moses against a mighty king.**

Scripture Reading: **Exodus 1:8 – 2:10**

Memory Verse: **Isaiah 41:10**
I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you …

PRESENTING THE LESSON

STARTING POINT

Many Sudanese Christians have experienced danger recently. Several thousand people, including many children, walked all the way from Tori in Northern Ghana to Juba in Southern Sudan. On the journey, Taban, the youngest in a group of children, lagged a little behind his brother and sister. They were sent back to fetch him and so escaped being blown up by a landmine, which hit the others they had been with.

MAIN POINTS OF TODAY'S TEACHING

1. Jacob's family, who had been in danger of starving in their homeland, had become a large and prosperous tribe in Egypt. Now it was hundreds of years later; Joseph was dead and another Pharaoh ruled in Egypt. Jacob's family was in danger once again. **Describe how the people of Israel became the king of Egypt's slaves and how he ordered their newborn baby boys to be killed (1:8–22).**
2. Moses was born in these times. His family hid him from Pharaoh's soldiers for three months, but then he became too big to hide. His mother put the baby in a watertight basket among the reeds that grew along the River Nile. Miriam, the baby's sister, hid close by to watch what would happen (2:1–4).
3. Pharaoh's daughter came to the river to bathe and saw the basket. She found the crying baby inside (2:5–6). **Show picture 13.** In the picture, Miriam is just coming to offer help.
4. Miriam offered to find the princess a woman to nurse the baby. She came back with the baby's own mother (2:7–9)!
5. As the adopted son of Pharaoh's daughter, Moses grew up in the king's house. There he received a good education and learnt all about the Egyptians' way of thinking.

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Instil the Memory Verse

Our Response to the Story

God protected Moses hundreds of years ago, and he protected Taban and his family on their dangerous walk only a few years ago. God keeps us safe. He does not always take the danger away, but he always is with us all the way.

If you can share your own experience of God's protection this will make the message even more real to the children.



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