



3PK

July 26-27, 2014

DATE

Baby Moses

LESSON TITLE

Exodus 1-2

WHERE TO FIND IT

God kept Moses safe.

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:

Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

Finish early? Repeat the activity! Kids this age learn through repetition. Or, check out the end of the activities section to find an idea for this week.

tips

In your room, you can once again find invitations to the first-ever KC Family Movie Night! Please hand them out with the Daily Talk Starters.

check-in/out

As kids leave, remind them to take their baskets with them. Remind them to tell their friends and family how God kept Moses safe!

large group heads up

God kept Moses safe—and he is powerful enough to keep us safe too.



connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive game to prepare them for Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 5-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Line Up
- While in line, tell kids we're going to hear about a baby named Moses. God kept him safe! This story has several characters so practice getting familiar with them. We're going to hear about:
 - Pharaoh (make a mean face because he made a rule that hurt God's family)
 - Baby Moses (rock like a baby)
 - Moses' Mom who comes up with a plan to try to keep Moses safe (point to your head, like coming up with a plan in your brain)
 - Miriam, Moses' sister, who watches her little brother (place your hand on top of your eyes as if you're peering out, watching something)
 - The Princess, Pharaoh's daughter, who found Baby Moses (pretend to rock a baby again)
 - If you still have time, review them again or play Simon Says and give kids simple rules to follow to keep them engaged.

If the music hasn't started yet, remind kids that when their listening ears are on, their mouths should be closed tight. Then practice that together! For fun, hop into Large Group like HOPS.



instructions

Goal: To help kids understand that God kept Moses safe (and he can keep us safe too!)

Why? Hopefully, kids will begin to start to grasp how powerful God is.

Tip: If some kids don't want to make baskets, you can bring the **Play Dough** out right away. That will better fit the learning style of some kids.

small group

REVIEW THE STORY (USING PICTURES)

Picture 1 (God's family in a field)

- Where was God's family living? (Egypt)
- Why did the king—called Pharaoh—get scared of them? (they were getting bigger)

Picture 2 (Pharaoh)

- What horrible law did the new ruler of Egypt make? (no more baby boys)
- But who was born while Pharaoh was in charge? (Moses)

Picture 3 (river background)

- What did Moses' mom do to save him? (made a basket and put it in the river)
- Who watched Moses float around? (his sister Miriam)

Picture 4 (Moses with the princess and his family)

- Who found Moses? (the princess)
- What did she decide to do? (take care of him and even let Moses' mom help)

Conclusion (no picture)

- Who kept Moses safe? (God!)
- Who else will God keep safe? (us!)

ACTIVITY: BASKETS

Today, we are going to decorate baskets to remind us of the way God kept Moses safe!

- Give each kid **basket shape**.
- Let them use **markers** and up to **5 stickers** to decorate it

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- As kids decorate, ask them to practice telling you and their friends why this basket was important in our story today. Guide them toward remembering that God kept Moses safe in the basket.

***Pray with kids, asking God to keep them each safe and to help them remember that he is always with them!**

Extra time? Use Play Dough to recreate the story. You can make baskets, baby Moses, a river with grass, or even Miriam out of Play Dough.



special notes

The script has some ideas to engage kids in gestures and repeating phrases in order to get them to interact with you. Feel free to insert your own style and make it personal!

presenter tips

Make sure you use lots of eye contact and muster as much energy as possible as you present. Kids love it when you act silly and over-the-top, so go for it. They'll love it and it will help the lesson to stick.

script

Presenter: Hi Friends! Welcome to Kid's Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS. She's going to remind us of the kind of choices we can make today Kids' Club.

Video: HOPS 1 Have Fun! (*about 1 minute*)

REVIEW

Presenter: (Hold up the **Bible** for kids to see.) This is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this story is the most important. It's God's Rescue plan.

Remember how God made the whole world and everything was good? The world was perfect! Give me a smile and a thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.) But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and sadness and sickness and death came into the world... Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.) This was *really* sad.

But even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God...God loved them anyway! And he planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve—and you and me—can be close to God again.

GOD'S FAMILY GROWS

As part of His rescue plan, God built a special family, starting with a couple named Abraham and Sarah. Then one day, God would send the rescuer through that family!

(Show picture of Israelites in field.) Well, for awhile, God's family was living in Egypt. Can you guys say Egypt? (Let kids say: Egypt.) Great job! And God's family was getting bigger and bigger...and bigger! They got so big, in fact, that... *guess what happened?* (pause)

The king—called Pharaoh—was afraid of God's family because there were so many of them. Can I see your scared face? (Let kids show you.) Oh, good job. Pharaoh decided to make them



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into slaves and forced them work really hard! But God's family kept right on growing!

PHARAOH MAKES A NEW LAW

(Show picture of pharaoh.) So then, Pharaoh decided to do something *really* mean. Can I see you meanest face? (Let kids respond.) Whew, you guys look scary! Pharaoh made a horrible, mean law. He said that everyone in God's special family had to get rid of all baby boys. No more baby boys allowed!

MOSES IS BORN

Well, one of the babies was born during that time was named Moses. Can you say "Moses" with me? (Let kids repeat.) When he was born he was a little baby. Can you pretend to rock a baby? (Model and let kids repeat.) Moses' mom knew it was more important to obey God than Pharaoh. So she came up with a special plan to keep baby Moses. (Pretend to rock a baby.) Today, we're going to hear about the special plan!

But I'm going to need your help for this story, OK? We're going to learn more about Moses when he grows up. But in today's story, he's just a little baby. So every time I say Moses, can you guys pretend to rock a baby, like this? (Model.) Let's practice. One day, Moses' mom... (stop and model rocking - let kids respond) Great job! Let's keep on going.

MOSES' MOM MAKES A BASKET

One day, Moses' (rock) mom knew she had to hide him or the pharaoh (still up on screen) wouldn't let her keep him. (Take out **basket** for kids to see.) She took a basket like this and put some stuff called tar (lay the **black construction paper** on the bottom) on the bottom so the water couldn't get in.

(Take out the **doll**.) Then she put Moses (rock) in the basket.

MOSES IS HIDDEN IN THE RIVER

(Show picture of the river background.) Next, she took Moses (rock) and the basket to the river. She hid Moses (rock) in the some tall grass and he floated there. She left Moses' (rock) sister Miriam there to watch him. Can you guys pretend to watch the basket as it floats? Keep a close eye! (Give kids a motion for watching, like hand over forehead as if blocking the sun; then "float" around the room as they watch where you go.) Great job!

THE PRINCESS FIND MOSES

Well, guess what? As Miriam is watching, she sees Pharaoh's daughter walking up to the river to take a bath...*right* where Moses (rock) is floating! The princess walks up to the basket and opens it up to see what's inside (take the **blanket** off of your **basket**). Oh my goodness, it was a baby in the river! Let's see your surprised faces (let kids show surprise).

And inside the basket, baby Moses (rock) was crying. Can you guys pretend to cry with me? (Boo hoo.) Miriam watched the princess to see what she would do...*and guess what?* (pause) The princess felt sorry for the little crying baby. She knew he was part of God's family, but decided she wanted to raise baby Moses (rock) herself!



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MOSES IS SAFE!

Then Miriam came out and said, “I can get a lady to help you take care of him.” The princess had lots of people who helped her and she liked that idea. So *guess what?* (Pause) Miriam went to get Moses’ (rock) own mom!

(Show picture of Moses and family.) Her special plan had worked, because God kept Moses (rock) safe! The princess decided to take care of Moses (rock) and his own mom even got to help take care of him while he was little.

CONCLUSION

Wow, this is an amazing story of how God protected Moses (rock) and kept him safe. And one day, Moses (rock) would do a very special job to help God’s family... But for today, let’s remember that God kept Moses (rock) safe—and he can keep us safe too! Here’s what God tells us in the Bible. I’ll read it to you, but listen carefully:

SLIDE: Joshua 1:9: I’ve commanded you to be strong and brave. Don’t ever be afraid or discouraged! I am the LORD your God, and I will be there to help you wherever you go.

Can you guys say part of that with me? Say, “Be strong” (flex your muscles and let kids repeat). Now can you say, “God is with me!” (Point to yourself at the end and let kids repeat.) Hey...that sounds familiar! I think we have a song about that here at Kids’ Club. Stand up and let’s sing!

WORSHIP

Song: Be Strong
Song Trust in the Lord

PRAY

Pray together, breaking it into small, repeatable phrases: Hi God! Thank you for keeping Moses safe. Thank you for being with him. Thank you for always being with me too. In Jesus’ name, amen.



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PREP needs



connect time supplies

Review of Moses story characters – no supplies needed

small group supplies

Per kid

Coloring sheets: Basket
5 stickers (OT: IN-12/1975)
1 basket shape per kid: (OT: IN-13627713)
One Family Movie Night invitation, to be handed out with the Daily Talk Starters

Per room

Markers
Play Dough
4 pictures printed in color on cardstock

large group supplies

Basket (that can hold a baby) and blanket
Piece of black construction paper
Baby doll with diaper (darker-skinned is best)

Bible

a/v needs

1. Video: HOPS 1 Have Fun!
2. Image: Israelites growing
3. Image: pharaoh
4. Image: river background
5. Image: Moses and family
6. SLIDE: Joshua 1:9: I've commanded you to be strong and brave. Don't ever be afraid or discouraged! I am the LORD your God, and I will be there to help you wherever you go.
7. Song: Be Strong
8. Song: Trust in the Lord

connect questions

Tell me about Moses.
How did God keep Moses safe?

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