

OUT OF EGYPT

A 5-Day Journey through Exodus

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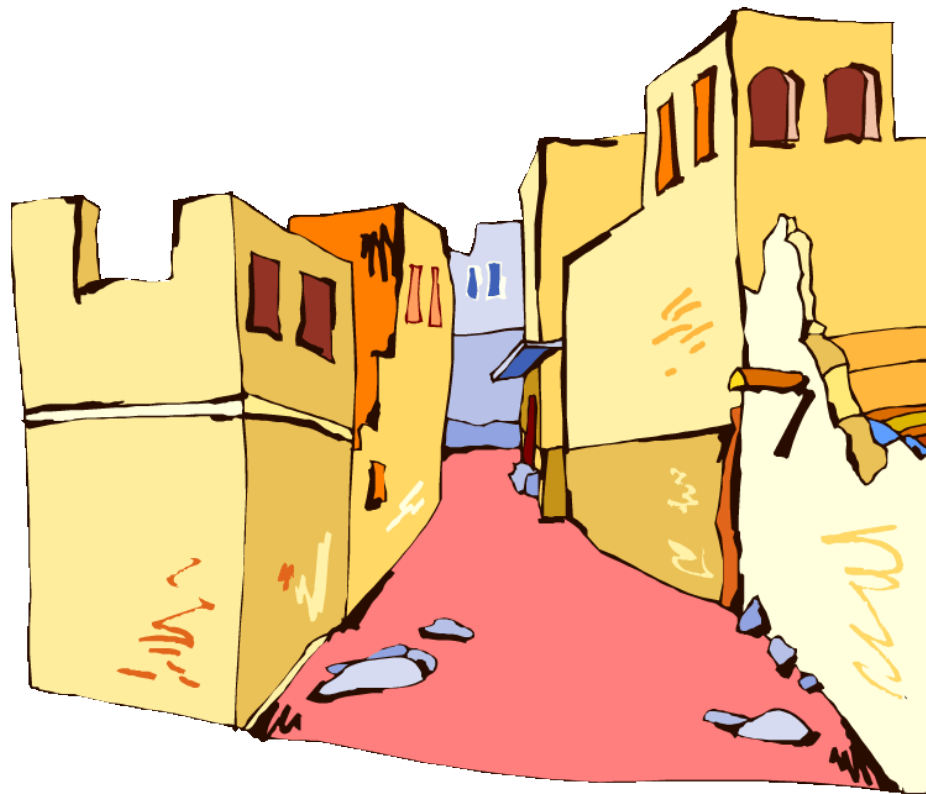
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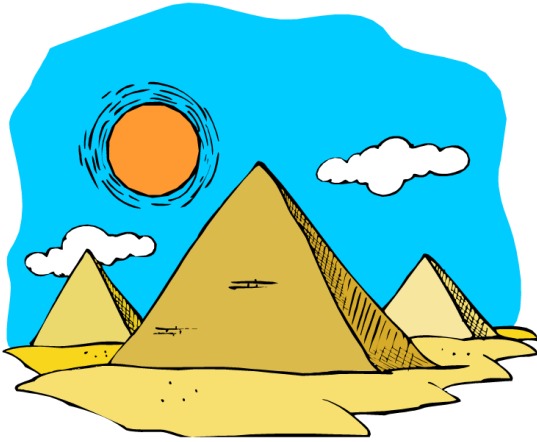
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DAY 1: SLAVES IN EGYPT



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THE STORY

The people of Israel came to Egypt when there was a famine in their own land. They settled in the part of Egypt called Goshen. For a while, they were welcomed as guests in Egypt. The Israelites had many children and soon they became a strong nation. The Egyptians began to be afraid of them.

A new Pharaoh came to power in Egypt, and he was determined to make sure that the Israelites did not grow any stronger. He made the Israelites work as slaves. He forced them to build cities for him.

Even with the Israelites working every day for long hours as slaves, the Pharaoh was still afraid of them. "What if some enemy attacks us?" he said. "Maybe the Israelites will join with our enemies and fight against us. We must be sure that they do not have enough men to fight!"

The Pharaoh did a terrible thing. He ordered his people to kill all the Israelite baby boys as soon as they were born. "Throw all the baby boys into the Nile River!" the Pharaoh said. "With no boys, there will be no men. Then there will be no warriors to fight against us. After a while, there will be no more Israelites at all."

There was one Israelite woman named Jochabed who had a baby boy. She knew that the Pharaoh had ordered that baby boys must be thrown into the Nile River, and so she hid her son for three months. However, as the baby grew, it became more difficult to hide him. She finally decided that she had to conceal him where other people would not see him or hear him crying. Jochabed made a basket out of reeds and put the baby in the basket. Then she set it to float in the river. She sent her daughter Miriam to watch over the basket.

An Egyptian princess came down to the river to bathe. She saw the basket hidden in the reeds. "I wonder what is in the basket!" she said.

The princess sent her servant to fetch



the basket. When she opened it, she saw the baby. The baby was crying, and the princess felt sorry for him. "I will take care of this baby," she said.

Miriam, the baby's sister, was watching. She quickly thought of a plan. Miriam ran to the princess. "I can find someone to take care of the baby for you!" she said.

"Good! Go quickly and bring me someone to take care of the baby," the princess answered.

Miriam ran home and got her mother. When Jochabed arrived, the princess gave the baby to her.

"Take care of this baby," said the princess, "and I will pay you."

The princess named the baby 'Moses.' Little Moses went home with his own mother. Jochabed did not have to be afraid anymore, because the princess protected him and even paid for his care. When Moses was older, Jochabed took him to the princess, and she adopted him as her son.

Moses grew up in Pharaoh's household, but he never forgot his family. God was already preparing him to lead Israel out of Egypt.

Tomorrow: Moses gives Pharaoh a message from God: "Let my people go!"

CONNECTIONS

Whenever we disobey God's laws, we sin. Jesus said that anyone who sins is a slave to sin. Slaves are not free. They have to do whatever their master tells them to do. Slavery is a terrible thing. When we are slaves to sin, we cannot stop sinning. Sin controls us.

The Israelites cried out to God to bring them out of slavery in Egypt. God listened to them, and he sent baby Moses. We will find out in the next few lessons how God used Moses to bring His people out of Egypt.

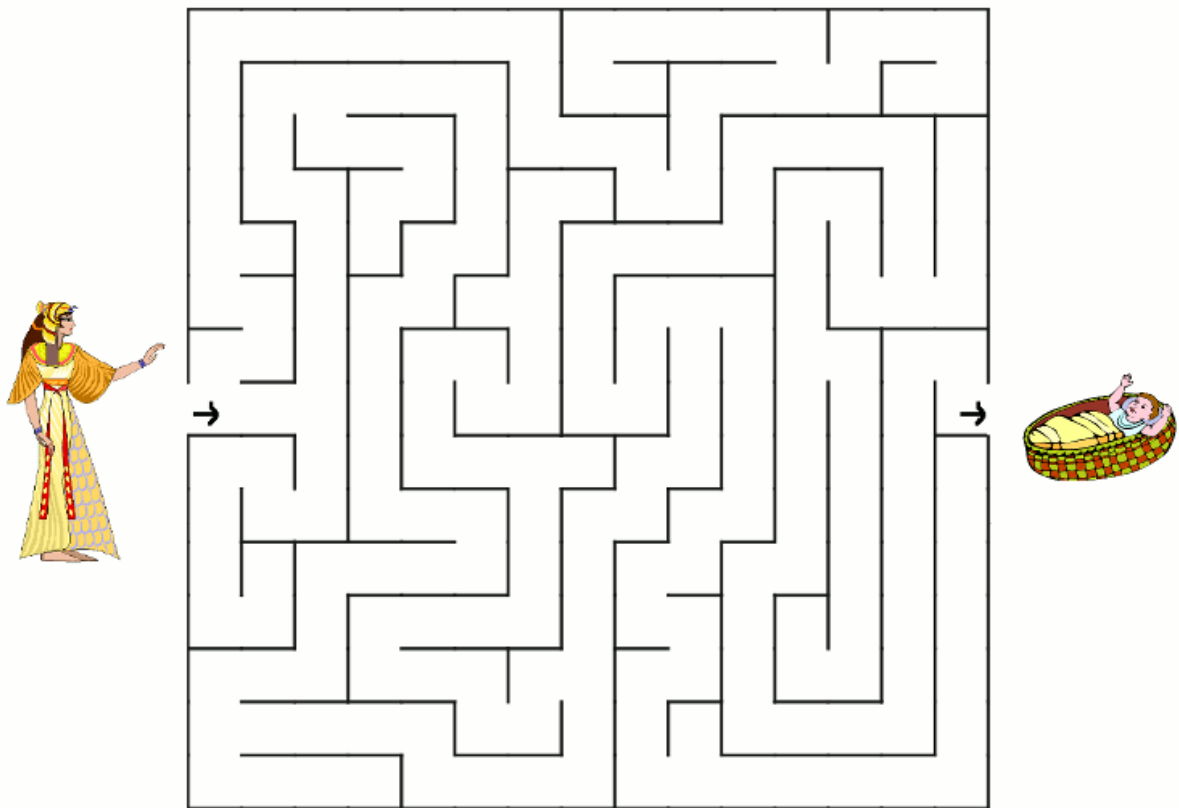
God brings us out of slavery also. We will learn how God rescues us from the slavery of sin. He sets us free.

MEMORY VERSE

And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (John 8:32)

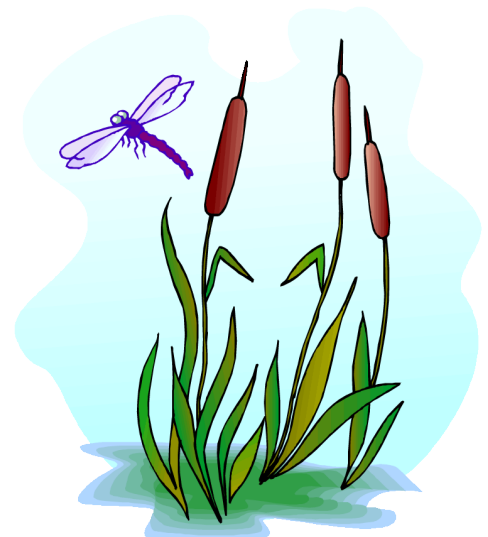
DAY 1: ACTIVITY

Can you help the Egyptian princess find the baby basket? Solve the maze!

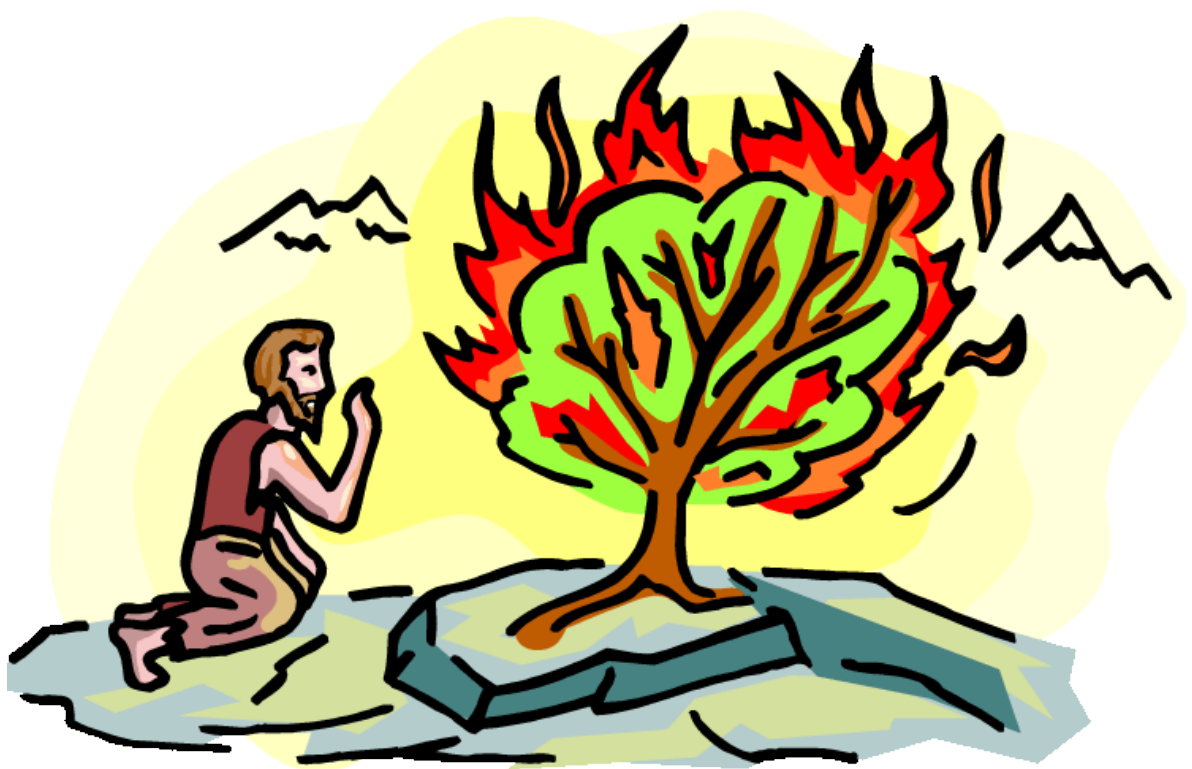


GOOD WORK!

In the next lesson, we will learn about a message God sent through Moses to the pharaoh of Egypt!



DAY 2: GOD'S MERCY



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THE STORY

Moses grew up in Pharaoh's palace, but he never forgot his own people. One day, he saw one of Pharaoh's men hitting an Israelite man. He was so angry that he killed the Egyptian. When Pharaoh heard what Moses had done, he wanted to kill Moses. Moses had to run away.

Moses ran to a place called Midian, and he became a shepherd. One day, he was out in the wilderness tending the sheep. He looked up and saw a very strange thing—a bush on fire! As Moses watched the fire, he saw that it did not burn the bush. Moses was curious. He walked toward the bush.

God called Moses from inside the bush. "Moses! Moses!"

"Here I am!" said Moses.

"Do not come any closer!" said God. "Take off your sandals, because you are standing on holy ground. I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob."

Moses hid his face. He was afraid to look at God.

God told Moses that He had heard the Israelites crying out to Him for help. "So now go!" He said. "I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring the Israelites out of Egypt."

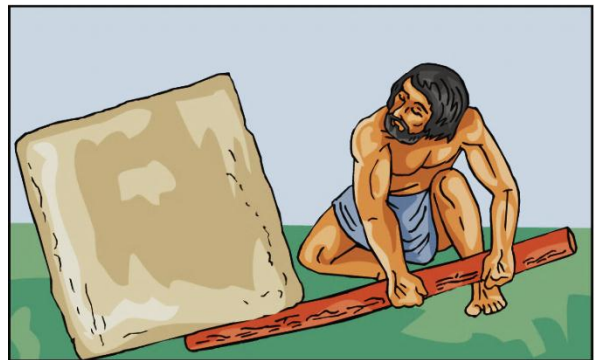
Moses was even more frightened. He begged God to choose someone else. He was afraid that he would not be able to speak well enough to talk with Pharaoh.

God told Moses that his brother Aaron would go with him to help him speak. God also gave Moses the ability to do miracles, so that Pharaoh would know that God had sent him.

Moses set out to travel back to Egypt. On the way, he met his brother Aaron. Together, they went to see Pharaoh. They said, "Pharaoh, this is what the God of Israel says, 'Let My people go!'"

Pharaoh scoffed at them. "Who is this God of Israel? Why should I obey Him? You are stopping the Israelite people from working. Tell them to get back to work! They are just lazy!" He made the Israelites work even harder.

The Israelites complained to Moses, "You said you were going to help us. Look!



Pharaoh is angry now, and he is making us work even harder!”

Moses was very sad. He said to God, “Look what trouble we have caused for the Israelites.”

God said to Moses, “Go back to Pharaoh again. Tell him to let the people go. I will harden his heart, and he will not listen. I will perform great signs, and I will bring My people out of Egypt.”

Tomorrow: God sends plagues on Egypt.

CONNECTIONS

God heard the cries of the Israelites. He saw how miserable they were in slavery, and He sent Moses to rescue them. God is **merciful**. He is kind to His people who are suffering, and He hears them when they pray for help.

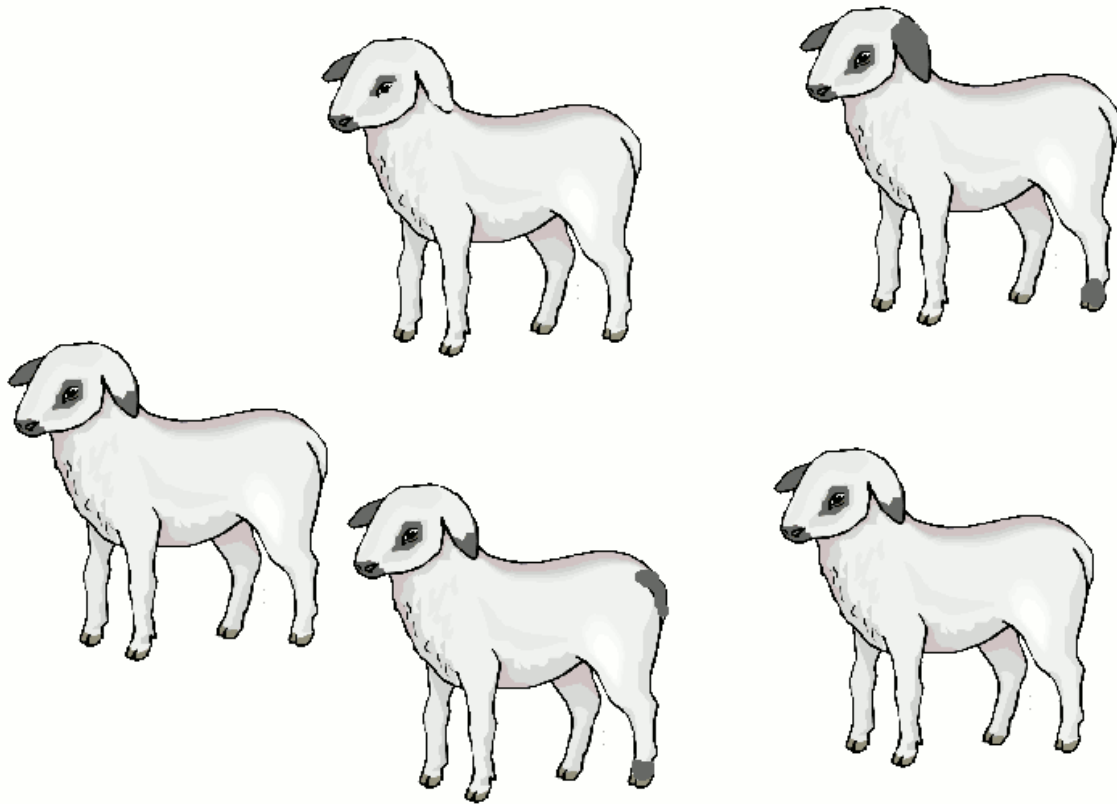
God has mercy on us also. He did not leave us to be slaves to sin forever. He sent us a Deliverer. He sent his own Son Jesus to rescue us from our sin.

MEMORY VERSE

I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice and my supplications.
(Psalm 116:1)

DAY 2: ACTIVITY

Moses tended sheep for years in Midian. Below is a flock of sheep. Two of the sheep are exactly alike. Can you find them?



GOOD WORK!

In the next lesson, we will learn about God's judgment on Egypt when the Pharaoh refused to let God's people go.

