

Lesson 5: Protection

Today's Bible Story

Many years after Joseph's family moved to Egypt, a new pharaoh came to power as king. "There are too many Hebrew people in our land," Pharaoh complained. "If war breaks out, they might fight against us!" Feeling nervous, Pharaoh made the Hebrews work as slaves from morning to night. Yet despite their hard lives, they continued to grow in numbers.

The Pharaoh came up with a terrible plan. He commanded that all boy babies who were born to Hebrew women would have to be killed.

But the women who helped mothers in childbirth didn't listen to Pharaoh. Instead, they let all of the babies live. This pleased God. But Pharaoh was upset, and he told his soldiers to throw all male Hebrew babies into the Nile River.

At this time, there was a Hebrew mother and father who had a new baby son. After hiding the baby for three months, the mother couldn't conceal him any longer. So she put the baby in a basket, sealed it with pitch so it would float, and placed the basket in the reeds near the riverbank. She sent the baby's sister to watch from a distance. Just then, Pharaoh's daughter came down to the river to bathe. Seeing the basket, the princess took pity on the crying baby and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children. I will call him Moses."

Immediately the baby's sister, Miriam, came out of the reeds and asked, "Would you like me to find a Hebrew woman to nurse the baby?" Pharaoh's daughter agreed, so the girl went to find her mother.

Moses' mother was called in to take care of her baby son. As he grew older, Moses grew up in Pharaoh's palace.



From Exodus 1:8 - 2:10

Bible Rhyme

The new king, Pharaoh, was upset.
He thought the Hebrews were a threat.
And, fearing that they'd want to fight,
he made them work both day and night.
Then, thinking they would multiply,
he said Hebrew baby boys must die!
But one brave mom would not obey;
instead, she hid her son away.
Placed in a basket made of weeds,
her baby rocked there, in the reeds,
and floated gently on the Nile, where
Pharaoh's daughter saved the child!

Help baby Moses escape from Pharaoh! Find a safe river route to Pharaoh's daughter.
Pick up the letters along baby Moses' route!



Use the letters to spell out where in the Bible you can find the story of baby Moses:
