



BIG STORIES OF THE BIBLE 10

MOSES (EXODUS 2)

Scripture: Exodus 2:1-10

Open: Greet, Praises, Requests, Pray

Supplies: Equal size strips of paper, tape, string, large paper clips or other type of hook

Ask:

- Does anyone remember what we talked about last week? (Joseph)

Explain:

The Israelites were saved by Joseph, and they lived in the land of Egypt. After a long time, their family grew bigger and bigger. Eventually, a new Pharaoh came to the throne, and he didn't remember Joseph and he didn't like how big the Israelite family was. First, he made the Israelites do very hard slave labor. But still they increased. Then, he tried to have the baby boys killed. This is where our story starts today.

Read: Exodus 2:1-10

Explain:

This is the beginning of the story of Moses. His mother hid him and at three months sent him away in a basket.

What would you have done if you were his mother?

What would you have done if you were his sister?

What would you have done if you were Pharaoh's daughter?

Because of this, Moses grew up in the palace. He would have gone to school and had a very nice life.

Activity:

Let's make our own baskets like Moses' mom did. Using the strips of paper, have the kids interlace them to make their own woven baskets. See instructions at the end of the lesson.

Play a Game:

Once the baskets are done, set them on the floor. Make “fishing rods” out of string and paper clips. See if the kids can fish their basket out.

Or

Play a game similar to the Rubber Ducky game at fairs and carnivals. Have several rubber dummies floating in a kiddie pool. Make sure one dummy has a mark or star on the bottom. Have the kids each draw a dummy. The one that gets the star (Moses) wins.

Explain:

It would have been very easy for Moses to stay in the palace and live the life of a prince. But he didn't. One day, he saw an Egyptian mistreating an Israelite. In his anger, he killed the Egyptian. To avoid being put in jail, he ran away into the desert. That's where we'll pick up our story next week.

Comic Book Bibles:

Have the kids recreate the story of baby Moses. Save it to add to their Comic Book Bibles.

Memorize: Exodus 2:10

Close in Prayer

To make the basket, weave paper over and under. Fold up the sides and weave along the sides. Use tape if necessary. I would choose a smaller basket, probably only 5 strips of paper across. This may require some skill, but the kids in my class are super into crafty they only required help with the sides. If the kids want, they can draw a picture of baby Moses to put in their basket.

