

# Lesson 8 - Moses as a Baby

## Story Suggestion:

*Exodus (2:1-10)*

When the children of Israel were slaves in Egypt, the king declared that all the male babies should be killed. Moses' mother saved her baby by putting him in a little boat and floating it in the river. The king's daughter found Moses and loved him. She rescued him and took him to live in the palace as her own son.

## Game Ideas:

### *Hide and Hunt*

#### **Preparation:**

Make a list of six simple items, such as a plastic spoon, stone, wrapped candy, a block, a blue button, and a ball of string. Fasten one of each item on a peg board or tape them to a whiteboard. Before the children arrive, hide the items in the room, one item for each child. For example, if 10 children are coming to class, hide 10 spoons, 10 pieces of candy, etc. All of the spoons should be in the same place, all of the buttons in the same place, etc.

#### **Directions:**

Each child must try to get one of each item, but must not tell anyone where any of the things are hidden. Give a small prize to those who are successful in finding all six items within a given amount of time, or if you see a child having a particular hard time gathering all the times, you can play "hot/cold" with them until they earn a prize, too.

### *Obstacle Course*

#### **Materials:**

Pillows, blankets and/or sheets, large cardboard boxes, chairs and tables, anything else good to use for an obstacle course

#### **Directions:**

Collect several items for students to move over, under, around, and through. Set up the items along a course. Start one student at a time at the beginning of the course, and tell them to try to make it all the way to the end.

## Snack Ideas:

A good snack for this lesson would be "Moses in a Basket." You will need to make this before class.

### Ingredients:

1 cup peanut butter  
1 cup nonfat dry milk  
1 cup honey  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1/2 cup crushed cornflakes  
Jelly beans  
Wax paper

### Directions:

Mix together the peanut butter, dry milk, honey and vanilla.  
Roll the peanut butter mixture into small balls.  
Roll the balls in the crushed cornflakes, place the balls on wax paper, and shape into baskets.  
Add a jelly bean in the middle of the basket to be baby Moses.

## *Strawberry Shortcake*

A simpler snack idea is to make strawberry shortcakes using ready-made sponge cakes. Drop some strawberry pie filling in each one, top with a strawberry and some whipped cream.

## Art Center Ideas:

### *Moses in a Basket Craft*

#### Materials:

Clean small milk carton  
Brown construction paper  
Tape  
Crayons  
Stapler (for adult use)  
Fabric pieces  
Small round clothespins  
Black marker (for adult use)

#### Directions:

Draw the faces on the clothespins before class, so Moses is ready to be placed in the basket.  
Cut off the top 1/3 of the milk carton.  
Wrap construction paper around the milk carton to cover it. Tape the paper to hold it in place.  
Staple a 1" strip of construction paper across the top for a handle.  
Let children decorate their baskets with crayons.  
Lay a piece of fabric in the basket.  
On the clothespin, draw a happy face and place in the basket as Moses.

## *Weave a Basket Craft*

### **Materials:**

Template of a basket (see picture on following page)  
Scissors  
Light and dark brown colored paper  
Glue stick

### **Directions:**

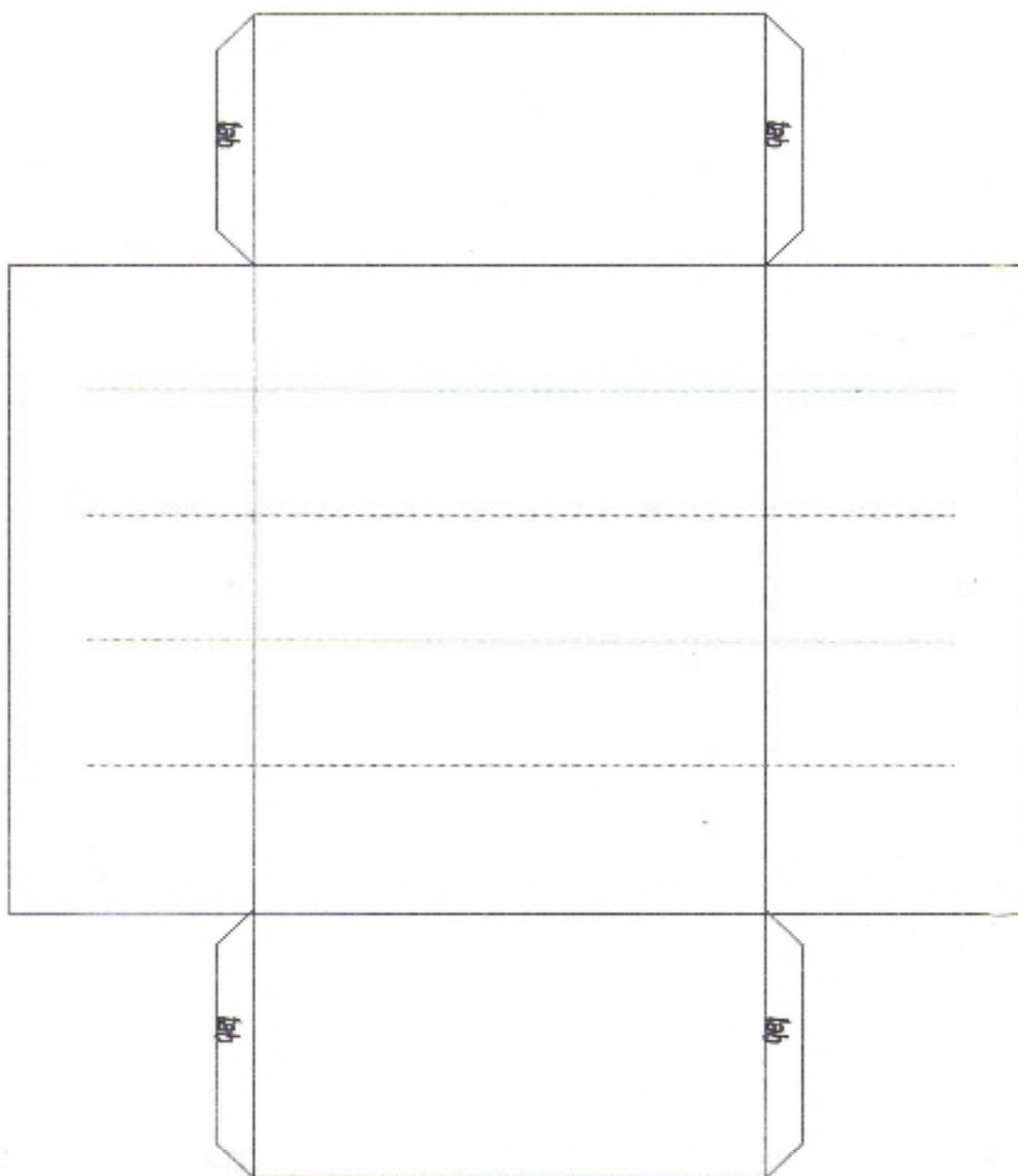
Copy the basket template on the following page. Cut out the template and cut along the dotted lines.

Cut out 6 strips of light and dark colored paper.

Have the children weave their basket and glue the strips down to hold in place. Fold the basket along the dotted lines, and use glue stick to hold the basket together.

## **Suggested Prayer:**

"Thank you God for protecting me and keeping me safe and sound. Help me now to go tell others of Your precious love I've found. Amen."



Cut out 6 strips of light and dark brown paper  
using this size!