

Baby Moses in the River

A Bible Story for Kids

Find it in the Bible: Exodus 2:1-10

Characters: Moses, Jochebed, Miriam, Pharaoh's daughter

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THE HEBREW PEOPLE were living in Egypt, but a mean new king made them slaves. He was so mean that he said all Hebrew baby boys must be thrown in the river!

One Hebrew mommy had a beautiful baby boy. She loved him so much. She HAD to keep him safe!

For three months, she hid her baby. But babies get bigger and louder. She couldn't hide him forever.

So she made a little basket boat! She made it waterproof and put her baby inside. She placed the basket in the tall grass by the river. The baby's big sister Miriam hid nearby to watch.

Guess who came to the river? The princess—the king's own daughter! She saw the basket and looked inside.

WAH! WAH! The baby was crying!

The princess felt sorry for him. 'This must be a Hebrew baby,' she said. Her heart was full of love for him.

Miriam was brave. She ran up to the princess. 'Do you need someone to take care of the baby? I know someone!'

'Yes!' said the princess.

Guess who came to help? The baby's own mommy! The princess said, 'Take care of this baby for me. I'll even pay you!'

So Moses got to stay with his real mommy until he was older. Then he went to live in the palace as the princess's son. She named him Moses, which means 'pulled from the water.'

God had a BIG plan for Moses. And God kept him safe so that plan could happen!