

Day1 Moses Parts the Red Sea

Lesson:

Memory Verse: Exodus 14:21

“Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night...”

Moses went down the Nile in a basket instead of being killed by the Egyptians. He lived with Pharaoh’s daughter as his mother, and his own mother as his nursemaid. And so Moses grew up in the palace of Pharaoh. He received the best of education, food, and lifestyle. But at some point, he realized that he was not Egyptian. He learned that he was one of the Israelites. The Israelites were slaves to Pharaoh. They were making bricks to build large buildings for him. Moses could have stayed in the palace and ruled over the slaves, but he would not. He chose to leave, preferring a life of poverty and suffering, rather than a life of riches in sin. He went to the land of Midian. There he grew to 80 years old before he met the God of the Israelites in a burning bush. God asked him to free the Israelites. All Moses could think of was his poor speaking skills. Exodus 4:10 Moses said, “I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.” God comforted him by telling him Aaron would speak for him. But Moses became a great speaker with God’s help! Today Moses is most trusted for his incredible writings and speeches to address his people. He was the only person who could withstand the glory of God enough to go up on Mt Sinai to speak with God. When he returned, his face glowed with the light of God’s glory, so that he had to wear a veil over his face. Moses played the great role of leader, bringing the Israelites out of slavery and across the Red Sea. He had faith that he could do what God asked. He trusted that God would be with him and give him everything he needed.

It was not always easy being a leader of the Israelites. Many did not trust him. Some even thought to stone him and return to Egypt. When Moses heard this, he forgave. He fell on his knees and prayed for the people to Lord. God said that he would kill these people for their sins, but Moses begged for mercy to let them live. God granted the request of Moses.

Moses depended on God for everything he needed, which meant that Moses truly kept the first commandment. He put God at the center of his life. He had no idols. When he came to the Red Sea, Moses also put God first and trusted in Him. He prayed. God told him to use his staff. Let's say our memory verse!

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Youtube song break:

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How Did Moses Cross the Red Sea?

The Israelites walked over on dry land. As amazing as that was, God also destroyed Pharaoh's army in the same Red Sea! Moses was an important part of this deliverance both from slavery and certain death. He did it despite being “Slow of speech” as he said. He went on to lead the people through an adventure in the wilderness for many years. His faith and prayers were his life source. He led his people into a desert and believed that God would provide food and water for them. God did provide *what* for them to eat? (manna and water.) Even their shoes did not wear out. How long were they in the desert? (40 years.) None were sick and none were weak.

Does anyone know which books of the Bible Moses later wrote? (Job, Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy). Which was the first book written? (Job). There is a name for the five books of the Bible- Genesis, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. What do the Jewish people call this Bible? (the Torah or Pentateuch). The rest of the Old Testament Bible books are together called the Tanakh. So the Jewish people have the Torah and the Tanakh as their Bible. They have preserved these Old Testament writings for us all these years. Later the New Testament was added to the Old Testament. The Old and New Testaments are the Bible we have today.

Moses prayed to God and gained God's favor. We can also do the same. The people of Moses were the chosen people. Today Christians are also the chosen people of God. Jesus said that if we have faith, we will move mountains. He did many miracles and He said that we will do greater miracles than those. That means we can be like Moses in the last days. We definitely want Moses as a role model. He did many miracles through

prayer and worked together with God. We pray the same Holy Spirit who parted the Red Sea will help us when we need it. Raise your hand if you would like to see a miracle like the parting of the Red Sea! Amen!! One more time: Our Memory Verse!

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