God looks after baby Moses – Exodus 2:1-10



FOR YOU

Thanks to Joseph's his whole family were safe from the famine, many years later their descendants were still in Egypt, working as slaves. The Bible tells us that the Egyptians treated them very badly even killing their baby boys. God had heard the cries for help from his people though and had a rescue plan. It started with the special baby Moses who God looked after and kept safe against the odds. This baby would grow up to be the person tasked with leading God's people out of Egypt.

STORY



Ask everyone to name people and organisations that keep us safe.

There are lots of people in the world who feel unsafe for one reason or another. Today's story tells us about a baby who was in danger, but who God looked after and kept safe

Sing – As I sit quietly



Read 'Baby in a basket' (p39) using a doll wrapped in a blanket and a basket as props.



I wonder how Moses' Mum felt as she placed the basket in the water? I wonder how she thought she was going to keep Moses safe as he started to crawl and move around? I wonder how she felt when the princess asked her to look after him?

God had a special purpose for Moses - he was going to be a great leader. But whatever God's purpose for us, he looks after us too. Trusting that is not always easy when things are tough, but sometimes the plan is not always what we expected.



Read 'River Baby' (p30) in Bob Hartman's 'Play along Bible' which tells the story from the princess's perspective

MAKE & PLAY



- Have plenty of dolls and baskets available for the children to play with
- Make sock babies using old socks, stuffing (newspaper or packing material) and elastic bands.
 When they are made wrap them in blankets made from fabric scraps and place in pots or baskets
- Moses's basket floated on the river because it was covered in tar. Fill a large container with water and encourage experimentation with different objects that might sink or float
- Print the pictures of the story and ask people to put them in the correct order

https://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/ls-baby moses/

PRAY SONGS Read 'God knows me' p17 and encourage everyone to say My God is so big, so strong and so mighty Thank you God (use the 'thank you' Makaton My God is so big, and I am so sign of touching your chin with the fingertips of your open hand and then moving it out in front of small you) **Bigger than big** In between each sentence. **@HOME** If you didn't give out copies of Psalm 139 in Autumn Term 1 then give some out today. If you did, then see if people can remember the actions that they did to accompany the words

Psalm 139

When I stand and walk upstairs, God knows and he cares.

When I go out or just stay at home, God knows and he cares.

When I go to play with my friends, God knows and he cares.

If I get up to see the sun rise, God knows and he cares.

If I'm up late and the dark scares, God knows and he cares.

Before I was born, God knew I was there, God knows and he cares.

> Wherever I go, Whatever I do, God knows and he cares.