

Bible Story 10:

MOSES - PART 2: FREEDOM FOR THE ISRAELITES

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 4:29-31; 5:1-2; 7:10-13,20-21; 8:1-6,16-17,20-24;
9:1-10,22-23; 10:13-14,21-23; 12:3-8,23,29-31,37,50-51

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 46:1A or Psalm 91:2

BIBLE STORY:

The Israelites were slaves in Egypt. *(A slave is forced to work for someone and does not receive any money for working.)* Not only were the Israelites forced to work, but they were badly treated by the king and the people in Egypt.

God spoke to Moses to help lead the Israelites away from Egypt. Moses obeyed. He and his brother Aaron went to speak to Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. They asked the king to free the Israelites and let them leave. The king said: **“No!”**

Therefore, God sent plagues or bad disasters to the people of Egypt. In order to stop a plague, the king said that he would let the Israelites leave Egypt. Yet, the king would soon change his mind and then not let them go. Then God would send another plague. The plagues were:

1. Water in the Nile River changed to blood.
2. Frogs covered the land.
3. Dust became gnats and were on the people and animals.
4. Flies covered the land.
5. The livestock of the people of Egypt died.
6. Boils were on the people and animals.
7. Hail smashed everything growing.
8. Locusts came and ate everything.
9. Darkness came over the land for three days.

God prepared a **tenth plague**, because Pharaoh was so hard and still would not let His people go.

10. All the Israelites were told to put blood from a lamb on the top and sides of the frames around their doors of their houses. The Israelites obeyed God. At midnight, the Lord struck down the firstborn, the oldest child, in each family, and the firstborn of all livestock in Egypt. The angel passed over the houses that had the blood on the doorframes. King Pharaoh cried when his son died. Finally Pharaoh let the Israelite slaves leave. Trusting in God, Moses quickly led the Israelites out of Egypt.

PART 1: PERSONAL QUESTIONS

1. What did you learn from the story?
2. How can you apply this story to your life?

PART 2: GENERIC QUESTIONS

1. What do you like about the story?
2. What is there in the story that you do not understand?
3. Who are the main people in the story?
4. What problems did the people face?
5. How did the people face their problems?
6. How have you faced similar problems?
7. Is there someone in the story who is similar to you or who is different from you?
8. What does the story tell about God?

PART 3: SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

1. What are slaves? How did Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, treat the Israelite slaves?
2. What are plagues? Why did God send plagues to Egypt?
3. What are some of the plagues that God sent to the people in Egypt?
4. Do you think it took courage for Moses to go to the king of Egypt to ask him to let the Israelites leave and tell him about the plagues God was sending? Why? Who did Moses trust to help him?
5. What are some problems and/or natural disasters that you, your family and friends have had or are facing?
6. Who are some people that can help you face and resolve these problems?
7. How can God help you face and overcome your problems?
8. Did the king of Egypt want to let the Israelite people leave Egypt? Was he fighting against God's will? Why did Pharaoh finally let them go? Who was more powerful: the king of Egypt or God?
9. Why is it important for us to follow God's will?