



## Lesson 25: The baby Moses

### *Scriptural Basis:*



Exodus 1:6-22; 2:1-10

### *Overview:*

Egypt, which was a place of refuge for Jacob's family during a great famine, becomes a hostile place for the Israelites who increased greatly in number in the 400 years of their inhabitation. In an attempt to subdue and control the Israelite population, the new king of Egypt (who knew nothing of Joseph and the work God did through him) made them slaves, then began killing newborn Israelite boys. One boy, Moses is spared from a watery death, and after being raised by his mother becomes the son of Pharaoh's daughter.

### *Things to consider:*

Scripture tells us the Israelites were fruitful and multiplied in that land; God provided a place for the Israelites and was true to His promise to protect and grow them. The Israelites became so prosperous that they became a threat to Egypt. Pharaoh attempted to subdue the Israelites, but God continued to protect them. Though this time of conflict was very hard on the nation of Israel, God knew that Egypt wasn't their final home, so was putting in motion a plan to bring them out of Egypt and into the Promised Land.

### *The gospel in the story:*



The good news that God is a caring God who is rescuing humanity from the scourges of sin and evil is pointed to throughout scripture. The narrative of the birth of Moses repoints, and foreshadows the grand redemption plan. In Moses' infancy, he is spared from a watery death by an ark (pointing back to a previous act of God's saving grace on humanity), and though the Israelite nation is struggling in slavery, God is preparing a way for their delivery.

### *Bible Study for Preparation:*



Read Exodus 1:6-22; 2:1-10, and consider that through the many ups and downs in the young Israelite nation's history, God's faithfulness is unmistakable.

## *Teaching the lesson:*

- A: Review (Lesson 24 – Jacob’s family moves to Egypt).
- B: Bible verse memory activity
- C. Story
- D. Additional activity