

The Story of Moses: The Burning Bush

week 3

Slides and Videos are in **bold**.

Props: Have fun recreating some of the famous images from the life of Moses- a river (made of blue paper) on the wall and green grass (green paper) and a baby in a basket, a bush on fire (use brown paper for firewood and red and yellow paper to make flames), and an image of Moses with his staff ready to part the sea.

-SLIDE- Welcome

Start kid's countdown once all classes are present

-SLIDE- Series Intro (2 min)

Hey kids! Welcome to kid's church. I'm so glad you could be here today. We're gonna have fun, right? Let's get started.

So, we've been talking about Moses the last few weeks, right? Last week we learned about how he grew up as a princess! **(allow kids to respond)** Wait, you mean he wasn't a princess? Oh right, he was a prince! Sorry, I messed up! Because Moses was a PRINCE, he had everything he could ever want. But, who was Moses' real family? **(allow kids to answer)** Right, the Israelites. What was happening to the Israelites while Moses grew up in the palace? **(allow kids to answer)** Right, they were slaves. We learned that Moses never forgot that these slaves were his friends and family. He wanted to help them but he didn't know how. Who did Moses need to trust in to help rescue his family? **(allow kids to answer)** Right, God! And we can trust Him, too.

-SLIDE- Lesson Intro (2 min)

Today, we're going to talk about how Moses' life took a crazy turn. He got in trouble and was kicked out of Egypt. No longer a prince, how could Moses help the Israelites? He wasn't even allowed in Egypt! But God had a plan, just like He did when Moses was a baby. We'll talk about that more in a few minutes, but first, let's stand and sing our first song to God!

-SONG- Imagine the Impossible (3 min)

That was great! Good job. I think God loves to hear all your voices praising Him. Now, let's sit down and say our big idea and key question together!

-SLIDE- Big Idea: Moses needed to be brave and depend on God.
(repeat with kids)

-SLIDE- Key Question: Why don't we need to be afraid?

That's a great question, let's listen to our video closely to see why we don't need to be afraid.

-VIDEO- Moses 3 (4 min)

-SLIDE- Recap (3 min)

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- Moses was kicked out of _____. (Egypt)
- True or False: God spoke to Moses through a butterfly. (F)
- Who did Moses need to depend on to rescue his family? (God)

Great job! You see, Moses' life took a crazy turn. He went from being a prince to a pauper in one instant. He wasn't even allowed in his hometown. He wandered around in the desert, found a wife, and became a shepherd. Even though it seemed like God couldn't use him anymore, he still had a plan for him. How did God tell Moses He still had a plan? **(allow kids to answer)** You guys are so smart, He spoke to him through a burning bush! How many of you have been spoken to through a burning bush? **(allow kids to answer)** Me neither! Can you imagine how shocked Moses was and then to know that it was God speaking to him! That's crazy.

God didn't show up in a burning bush just to be cool. He had a very important message for Moses. God told Moses to go to Pharaoh and tell him to let the Israelites go. Now, think about that. Moses wasn't even allowed in Egypt, let alone allowed to go before the king. Moses was probably scared that he would be thrown in jail if he went before Pharaoh. But, God said He would be with him every step of the way. So, Moses chose to be brave and depend on God.

Did you know we can be brave like Moses, too? When we're faced with hard stuff, we can trust and depend on God to get us through. That's what our memory verse is all about. Let's all stand and say it together.

-SLIDE- Memory Verse: "So we can say **(hands around mouth)** with confidence **(fists on hips)**, "The Lord **(point up)** is my helper, so I will have **(arms up in X)** no fear **(break arms free)**." Hebrews 13:6 **(Repeat)**

How cool is that? God is always there to help us overcome any challenges we face. Not only that, He WANTS to help us, just like He wanted to help Moses go before Pharaoh. Our God is a big God, and He will always be right by our side no matter what. Now let's stand together and sing one last song to Him!

-SONG- We Will Dance (3 min)

Okay, we're ready to answer the Key Question.

-SLIDE- Key question: Why don't we need to be afraid?
(allow a few kids to answer).

-SLIDE- The answer: Because, God is always with us.
You'll talk more about this in your small groups today. But, before we go, let's say the Big Idea one last time...

-SLIDE- Big Idea: Moses needed to be brave and depend on God.
(Have kids repeat)

-SLIDE- Operation Christmas Child

Don't forget about this special opportunity for you to bless other kids all around the world! Many kids never have any presents to open on Christmas and they don't have any toys to call their own. But, you can change that! You can fill a shoebox full of special things to bless another child and show them the love of God. Have your parents pick up an information sheet at the KC desk today. Boxes are due **next week**, October 25th.

-SLIDE- Let's Pray (then dismiss)

-SLIDE- Let's go to small groups