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The Baby in the River

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"Throw all the Israelite baby boys in the river!" ordered the pharaoh.

The Israelites lived in Egypt, but they were treated as slaves. They had to make bricks every day and it was really hard. Then, it got worse.

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Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, made a terrible law: If an Israelite mother had a baby boy, they must put him in the river to die. The pharaoh didn't want the Israelite families to keep growing.

One family had a baby boy, but they hid him for three months. When they couldn't hide him anymore, his mother made a basket covered in tar so it would float. She took her baby boy and the basket to the river and



put the baby in the basket. She hid it on the edge of the river in the tall plants. Soon, an Egyptian princess came by the river. When she saw the basket and the baby inside, she knew she had to do something to help.

Nearby, the baby's sister was watching to see what would happen. She boldly went and asked if the princess wanted someone to take care of the baby for her. The princess said, "Yes." So the girl went and got her mother -- the baby's very own mother! That's how God saved this little boy!

When he grew some, the boy went to live with the princess. She called him, "Moses" because he was taken from the water. Moses never forgot his family.



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