



LESSON 9

REFERENCES: EXODUS 1; 2:1-10; PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, PP. 241-244.

Baby Moses

Do you know you have angels watching you all the time? Baby Moses had angels watching him.



God's people, the Israelites, had lived in the land of Egypt for a long time. Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, was afraid of the Israelites. He worried that they might go to war against the Egyptians. First he made the Israelites work very hard, hoping that would keep them from growing in number. Finally the cruel king ordered the Egyptians to throw all the baby Israelite boys into the river.

Memory Verse

"You are my
hiding place."

PSALM 32:7, NIV.

The Message

We worship God
when we thank
Him.



One family found a way to save their baby boy. They hid him at home. But as he grew bigger, they were afraid someone would find him. So they came up with a new plan.

The baby's mother took reeds from the riverbank and used them to weave a basket. She carefully covered the basket with tar and pitch so water wouldn't leak in. Then she laid the baby in the basket and put a top on it. She prayed as she carried the basket to

the river and hid it in the rushes that grew in the water near the riverbank. The baby's older sister, Miriam, played nearby to keep watch over the basket. And God sent angels to watch over the little baby as the basket gently rocked on the water.

Before long, the king's daughter came to the river. There in the water she saw the basket. She sent one of her maids to bring it to her. Imagine her surprise when she opened the basket and found a baby boy inside! She felt sorry for the baby and decided to keep him for her own. And right there she named him Moses.

Miriam came running up to the princess. "Shall I go and get one of the Israelite women to take care of the baby for you?" she asked.

"Oh, yes," the princess answered.

Miriam ran home as fast as she could. She and her mother hurried back to the princess. The princess asked Moses' mother to take him home with her and raise him until he was a big boy. Then he would go to live with the princess in the royal palace.

Moses had been saved! Now his family wouldn't have to worry about soldiers throwing him into the river. They were so thankful that God had answered their prayers. Their precious baby was safe! Perhaps the whole family knelt and said, "Thank You, God, for saving our baby."

God watches over you, too, just as He watched over Moses. Your angel is with you all the time to keep you safe. Even when you don't know you are in danger, God loves you and will never leave you.



Do and Say

SABBATH

Each day this week, read the lesson story together and use the motions to review the memory verse.

You Point upward.
are my Point to self.
hiding place. . . . Hold hands over face/head.
Psalm 32:7 Palms together; then open as if opening a book.

SUNDAY

Read together Exodus 1 and 2:1-10. Ask: How do you think Moses' mother felt when she found out about the king's law to kill the boy babies? How do you think she felt when she found out that the king's daughter had found Baby Moses? What do you think their family did when Baby Moses was back home?

MONDAY

Find things around the house that we use to protect us (rain-coat, sunscreen, sunglasses, bicycle helmet, apron, etc.). Talk about each, then ask: What does God use to protect us? Tell your child about a time when you felt God's protection.

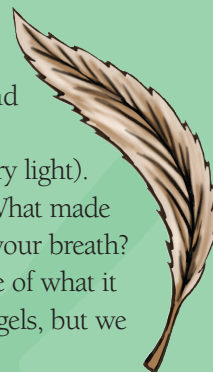


TUESDAY

Encourage your child to share the Baby's

Basket Boat that they made in Sabbath School with someone and tell them about Baby Moses.

Find a feather (or something very light). Blow on it to make it move. Ask: What made it move? (my breath) Can you see your breath? (no) But we know it's there because of what it does. We can't see God and His angels, but we know they are with us.



WEDNESDAY

Test things that float on water and things that sink. Ask: Who was watching over Baby Moses as his basket floated on the water? Why didn't it sink?

Ask: Do you know you will meet your guardian angel when Jesus comes? What would you like to say to your guardian angel?

THURSDAY

Help your child make a bread basket by scooping out the middle of a small roll. Roll up a slice of cheese to look like a baby and put it in the "basket." As you share this snack, talk about how Baby Moses was saved in the basket boat. This is best done at mealtime.

FRIDAY

Act out the Bible story with your family.

Ask each person to tell one thing that God has done to take care of them this week. Thank Him for His loving care.

Sing songs about angels before prayer.