



GOD'S PROTECTION



Year 1—Quarter 1 “God the Father”

Quarter Aim: God is not distant or unapproachable; rather, He is a caring Father who loves us deeply and wants the best for our lives.

Lesson 6: God’s Protection

God Protects Baby Moses



In a faraway land called Egypt, there was a special baby named Moses. His mom and dad loved him very much, but there was a big problem. The mean Pharaoh (the king of Egypt) didn’t like the Hebrew people, and he ordered that all baby boys should be thrown into the mighty Nile River!

Moses’ mom was brave. She made a little basket out of reeds and put baby Moses inside. Imagine a tiny boat made of sticks! She gently placed the basket in the river, hoping someone kind would find him.

Guess what? Pharaoh’s daughter, who was taking a bath in the river, saw the basket. She opened it and found the sweetest baby boy. She named him **Moses**, which means “I pulled him out of the water.”

Moses grew up in the palace, and he became a hero. He helped his people and led them to freedom. God protected him, just like how the basket floated safely on the river.

So, remember this: Even when things seem scary, God protects His people and He can make a way, just like He did for baby Moses!

Pivotal Part of Baby Moses’ Story

The basket floats down the river until it arrives at the home of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. God caused Pharaoh’s daughter to find him, and she had compassion on him. She decided she wanted this baby kept safe. Conveniently enough, the baby’s sister was nearby, and she offered to help find someone who could nurse the boy until he was old enough to return to Pharaoh. The daughter named him Moses, meaning “out of the water”, because she pulled him out of the water.

Ask: How did God keep Moses safe? Why do you think this is happening?

Remind students that God took care of Moses and had a special plan for him. God also protects us and has a plan for our lives. He will always be with us and keep us safe. Most importantly, He rescues us from sin and death, and will always love us!

Close with prayer, thanking God for protecting and guiding us in all things.

Power Point

God protects
His people and
can make a
way.

Lie:

God doesn’t keep me safe.

Truth:

2 Thess. 3:3, “*But the Lord is faithful. He will strengthen you. He will guard you from the evil one.*”





Apple Seed Object Lesson

God's Protection Object Lesson Script

How many of you guys like apples? Apples are great food because you can do so many different things with them. You can make apple sauce. You can make candy apples. You can make apple pies and apple cakes. You can use them in salads with fruits and vegetables. You can make apple juice and apple cider to drink. Or, you can simply pick up an apple and eat it by itself.



Have you ever accidentally eaten an apple seed? They're usually stuck in the core of the apple, and it's not easy to get to, but sometimes it happens, doesn't it? Well, here's something you might not know: apple seeds are poisonous. Each apple seed has just a little, tiny bit of poison in it. It's not near enough to hurt you. You'd have to eat LOTS of apple seeds to even begin to feel sick. But it's still in there.

You know, sometimes in life, we encounter hard times. Bad things happen, we get sick, we struggle. But just like the apple seed, God promises never to give us more than we can handle. If you accidentally swallow an apple seed, it's not going to hurt you, because it's no more poison than your body can handle. And when hard times come, God promises he will help you through them, because he won't give you any more than you can handle.

Before he was crucified, Jesus said to his disciples, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." (John 16:33) Let's take a moment to thank God for that promise.

Activity Opener

To get students thinking and ready to learn, consider an activity opener along these lines:

Hide baby Moses: Have one student (or a teacher) hide a baby doll somewhere within the classroom. Other students will race to be the first to find Moses "among the reeds."

Moses basket relay: Divide students into teams and have them race to take turns moving "Moses" back and forth. The catch: each team must wrap up the baby (doll) Moses and tuck it into a basket before carrying it to the other side and back.





Take Home Craft: Copy this page for each child. Have the students color the Nile River scene and baby Moses. Have them cut out the scene and glue it to a paper plate. Then have them cut out baby Moses and glue him to the river scene. Tape a yarn loop to the back to use for wall hanging.