

# MOSES GROWS UP

## *Exodus 2:11-25*

### **Exodus 2**

<sup>11</sup>One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. <sup>12</sup>Glancing this way and that and seeing no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

<sup>13</sup>The next day he went out and saw two Hebrews fighting. He asked the one in the wrong, “Why are you hitting your fellow Hebrew?”

<sup>14</sup>The man said, “Who made you ruler and judge over us? Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was afraid and thought, “What I did must have become known.”

<sup>15</sup>When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well.

<sup>16</sup>Now a priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came to draw water and fill the troughs to water their father’s flock. <sup>17</sup>Some shepherds came along and drove them away, but Moses got up and came to their rescue and watered their flock.

<sup>18</sup>When the girls returned to Reuel their father, he asked them, “Why have you returned so early today?”

<sup>19</sup>They answered, “An Egyptian rescued us from the shepherds. He even drew water for us and watered the flock.”

<sup>20</sup>“And where is he?” he asked his daughters. “Why did you leave him? Invite him to have something to eat.”

<sup>21</sup>Moses agreed to stay with the man, who gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses in marriage. <sup>22</sup>Zipporah gave birth to a son, and Moses named him Gershom, saying, “I have become an alien in a foreign land.”

<sup>23</sup>During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God. <sup>24</sup>God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob. <sup>25</sup>So God looked on the Israelites and was concerned about them.

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POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	QUESTIONS
5		1.) What did Moses do wrong?
5		2.) What did Pharaoh want to do to Moses?
5		3.) How did Moses help the seven girls and their sheep?
5		4.) Why do you think Moses agreed to stay with the seven girls' family?

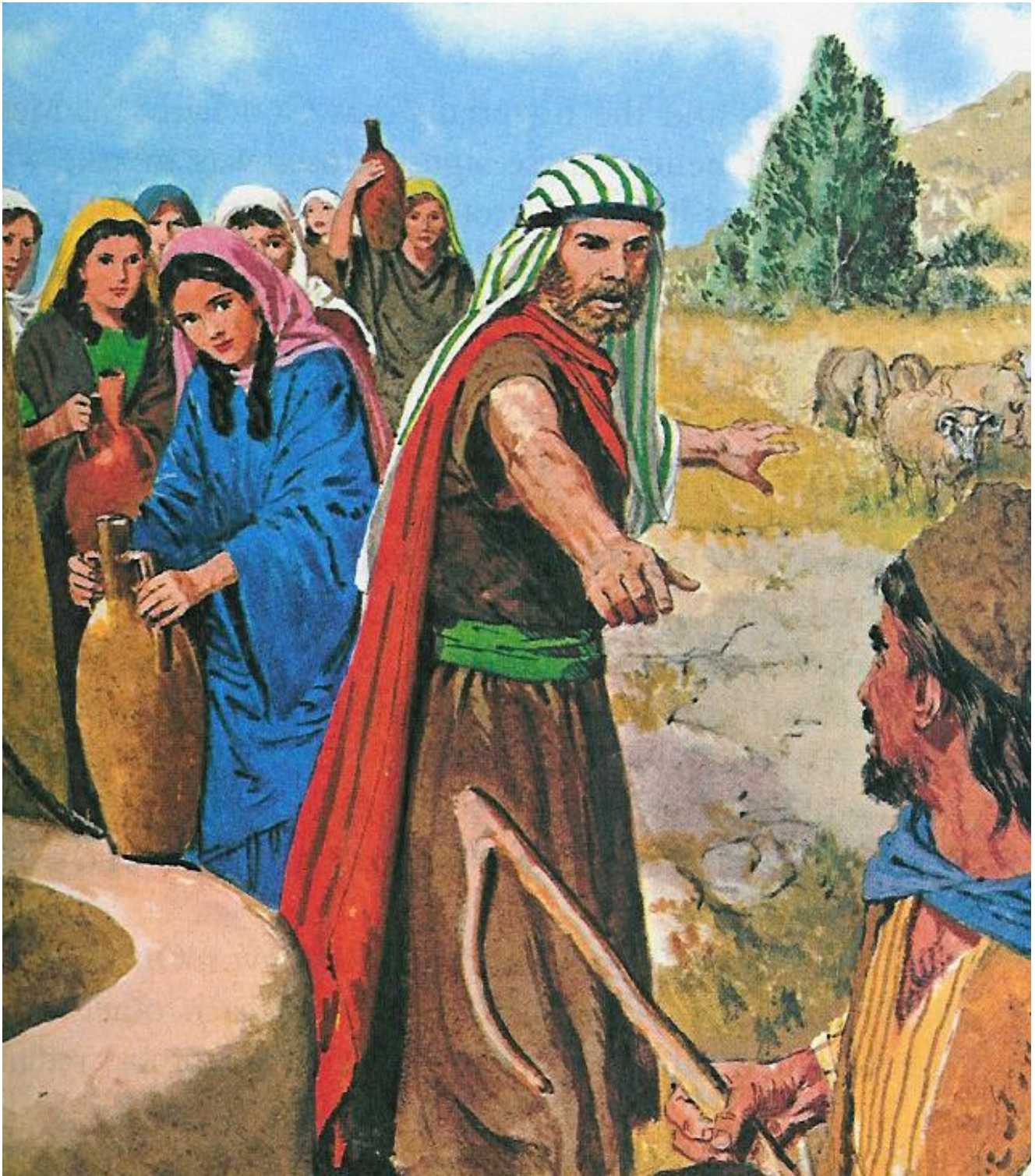
POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	MEMORY VERSE
10		<p>“God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Exodus 2:24</p>

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	HOME CONNECTION	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
5		<i>I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.</i>	
5		<i>I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.</i>	
10		<i>I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.</i>	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION
	LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ___/___/___

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*Moses helps by watering seven ladies' flocks*

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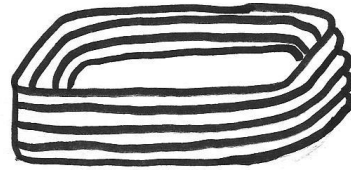
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## CRAFT/ACTIVITY: WATERING TROUGHS

Students will make a watering trough to remind them of how Moses came to the aid of seven sisters at the watering trough.

### MATERIALS

1. 2 cups flour
2. 1 cup salt
3. 2/3 cup water
4. Bowl for mixing
5. Measuring cup
6. Wax Paper for each student



### DIRECTIONS

1. Pass out a small piece of wax paper and a small lump of play dough to each student.
2. Instruct them to roll it out into a long snake.
3. Have students coil the “snake” into a rectangular shape.
4. Using their fingers, students should press together any parts that aren’t touching.

### FOR DISCUSSION

As students are working on their watering troughs, remind them how God used Moses to assist the seven sisters. He would later use Moses to assist the Israelites by leading them out of Egypt. Help students realize that God uses ordinary people who make mistakes (like Moses) to do extraordinary things. God provides all that is needed to do a job that God wants done. Though we may be afraid, we should find comfort in God’s strength. As our memory verse indicates, God has not and will not forget his people. Ultimately it would be Joshua who God would use to fulfill the covenant he made with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

### TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:

Approximately 15 minutes

### MEMORY VERSE

*“God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob.” Exodus 2:24*



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God protected Moses by having his mother hide him in a basket in the Nile River.

When Moses was about 40 years old, he saw an Egyptian beating up one of his own people. Moses didn't like how the Egyptians treated the

Hebrews. Moses was a Hebrew.

When no one was looking, Moses killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

The next day, two of his own people were fighting. Moses asked why they were fighting. "Are you going to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?" one man asked.

Moses was scared because even Pharaoh knew what Moses had done. Moses hid a place called Midian near a well.

There was a priest who had seven daughters and they came to water their father's flock. Some shepherds came and drove them away. Moses came to their rescue and watered the flock for them.

The girls told their father what had happened. Their father invited Moses to stay with them.

Later, Moses married one of the daughters and cared for his father-in-law's flocks.

But the Israelites in Egypt cried out to God for help. Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, had died, but the Israelites were still being treated poorly.

God had not forgotten about his people. He was going to use Moses to help get his people out of Egypt!

To find out more details about this story, read Exodus 2:11-25 in your Bible.

## QUESTIONS

1. What did Moses do to an Egyptian man?
2. Why was Moses scared?
3. How did Moses help the priest's daughters?
4. Why do you think Moses agreed to stay with the seven girls' family?

## MEMORY VERSE

"God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob."

Exodus 2:24

## WORD SCRAMBLE

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*The memory verse means*  
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## **Memory Verse:**

*“God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob.”*

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