

Toddlers

Small Group

September — Week 3

Small Group Leader Guide

THIS MONTH
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Today's Bible Story

Baby Moses
Exodus 2:1-10

Bottom Line

God has plans for you.

Memory Verse

**"For I know the plans I
have for you," says the
Lord."
Jeremiah 29:11 NLT**

Today's Suggested Schedule

The toddler curriculum provides one monthly Bible Story because we understand that toddlers learn best through repetition. The toddler curriculum provides older toddlers with the story and craft elements that some are ready to experience before they enter the twos. We hope that by sending home a simple toddler craft, you are cueing families to begin having conversations at home with their children.

Story Time

→ Draw It

Craft Time

→ Plans for a Door Hanger

Story Time

What You Need

- ☐ Preschool Bible
- ☐ Butcher Paper
- ☐ Washable Markers

Note

Some children (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

① What You Do

→ Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story.

② What You Say

"Hello, friends! I'm so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's true story from the Bible **(HOLD UP THE BIBLE)** begins with a baby, **(DRAW A SIMPLE SWADDLED BABY)** hello baby! This baby's name is Moses, he was one of God's people.

"This is Moses' mom. **(DRAW A SIMPLE STICK FIGURE WOMAN.)** She wanted to keep him safe from the mean ruler, Pharaoh **(DRAW A SIMPLE STICK FIGURE MAN WITH A CROWN TO THE LEFT OF MOSES' MOM)**, so she made a basket and put Moses in it. **(DRAW A SIMPLE BASKET SHAPE WITH A SIMPLE SWADDLED BABY INSIDE.)** Moses' mom hid him in the tall grass by the river **(DRAW GREEN MARKS OVER MOSES IN THE BASKET)**, and Moses' sister watched to see what would happen. **(DRAW A SIMPLE STICK GIRL TO THE SIDE OF THE GRASS.)** Someone found baby Moses; it was the Pharaoh's daughter **(DRAW A SIMPLE STICK FIGURE GIRL WITH A CROWN HOLDING A BABY)**, and she decided to keep him safe. Moses' mom trusted God and knew God had plans for Moses, and **[BOTTOM LINE]** God has plans for you."

Craft Time

What You Need

- ☐ "Plans for a Door Hanger" and "Plans for Baby Moses" Activity Pages
- ☐ Green Cardstock
- ☐ White Cardstock
- ☐ Glue Sticks
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Baby Wipes
- ☐ Permanent Marker

Notes

Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times.

Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

① What You Do

Before the Activity

1. Copy "Plans for a Door Hanger" on green cardstock and cut one per child.
2. Copy "Plans for Baby Moses" on cardstock and cut one cutout per child.
3. Write each child's name on their door hanger.

During the Activity

1. Help children rub glue on the back of their Moses cutout and glue in the grass on their door hanger.
2. Clean hands as needed.

② What You Say

"Moses' mom wanted to keep baby Moses safe from the mean Pharaoh, so she put him in a basket and hid him in the tall, tall grass. Look at all the tall grass on your paper, that's the perfect place to hide baby Moses! Let's rub some glue on the back of your picture then stick him in the grass. **(HELP RUB GLUE ON THE BACK AND POSITION IT OVER THEIR PAPER. ALLOW CHILD TO STICK IT ON THEIR PAPER AND PAT IT DOWN.)** Great job! **(CLEAN HANDS AS NEEDED.)** Moses' mom loved God and knew God had plans for her and Moses, and **[BOTTOM LINE]** God has plans for you, too."