

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



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## MOSES LED THE ISRAELITES

Exodus 17-18

## WHY DOES SIN SEPARATE US FROM GOD? BECAUSE GOD IS HOLY, SIN HAS BROKEN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.

God led His people through His servant, Moses. When Amalek came to fight the Israelites, Moses sent Joshua to lead the battle for Israel. Whenever Moses held up his hand with God's staff in it, Israel would be winning! But whenever he put his hand down, Amalek and his army would start winning. Aaron and Hur helped Moses keep God's staff in the air, and Joshua defeated Amalek and his army.

A man named Jethro heard about everything God had done for His people. Jethro was the father of Moses' wife, Zipporah. He came to visit Moses along with Moses' wife and sons. Moses shared all that the Lord had done to Pharaoh, and how God had rescued the Israelites from all their hardships in the wilderness. Jethro said, "Blessed be the LORD who rescued you from the power of Egypt and Pharaoh!"

The next day, Moses sat down to hear from his people and to help each person who needed his advice. He did this each day, from morning until evening. Jethro saw this and said, "What you are doing is not good. You will wear yourself out. You can't do this task alone."

Jethro told Moses to select other trustworthy men who worshiped God to give guidance in the smaller matters so that Moses could focus on the bigger issues. Moses took Jethro's advice. All the people's needs were met.

Christ Connection: Moses was a great leader, but he was just a man. He was not able to meet all the needs of all the people by himself. Jesus is fully man and fully God. He is able to hear and respond to all of our prayers, and His death and resurrection provide salvation to everyone who trusts in Him.

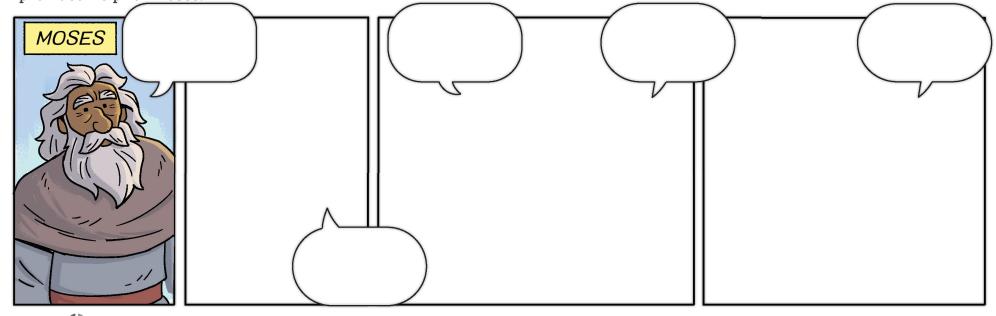
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## **Community Helpers** God provided people to help Moses. Write ways each person provides help to others.



**Comic Sketch** Create a comic sketch of today's Bible story by drawing pictures of the problems Moses faced and how God provided help for Moses.





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