

God to the Rescue

ONE GOD, ONE STORY



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Week 3 - Day 1

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READ IT

Bible: Exodus 3-13

The Jesus Storybook Bible: God to the Rescue, pages 84-91

TALK ABOUT IT

- Why do you think Pharaoh was so stubborn about letting the Israelites go? How did God finally convince him?
- Do you think the Israelites were afraid when God showed his power?
- What did God want the Israelites to do to remember how he delivered them? Why was it important for them to remember how he delivered them?

DO IT: PLAGUE FLIP BOOK

As a result of Pharaoh not letting the Israelites go, God sent ten plagues upon Egypt. Using the list of the ten plagues, take ten small sheets of paper, staple them at the top, and draw one plague on each sheet of paper. At the bottom of each sheet of paper write one word to describe the plague, such as "gnats." Now you have a flip book that you can use to retell the story.

1) Water turned to blood 2) Rivers and land were overrun by frogs 3) Gnats covered everything 4) Flies covered everything 5) Livestock died 6) Boils, really nasty and oozing sores, covered man & beast 7) Hail, rocks of ice, destroyed everything in the fields, trees, and plants 8) Locust ate anything left after the hail 9) Darkness covered everything for three days 10) Death of the first born child in every household.

PRAY ABOUT IT

God rescued the Israelites from Pharaoh just like God rescued us with his Son, Jesus. Thank God for sending his Son, Jesus to our rescue. Tell God ten things you love about him.

God Makes a Way

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Week 3 - Day 2

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READ IT

Bible: Genesis 14-15

The Jesus Storybook Bible: God Makes a Way, pages 92-99

TALK ABOUT IT

- Describe how God showed the Israelites he was with them as they left Egypt.
- What did they follow, and how did it protect them during the day and night?
- Pharaoh sent his men to chase the Israelites as they were leaving Egypt. How did God help the Israelites escape and how did he protect them.

DO IT: PART THE SEA

Parting a sea seems like a BIG task, but not for God. Let's see how hard it is to move water apart and create a dry space in between.

Materials: Bath tub or large basin to hold water, containers to move the water, bath/water toys

Directions: Fill the bathtub or a large basin with water. (Add a few drops of red food coloring to the basin if you want to better visualize the red sea.) Use small dolls or toys to represent Moses and the people. Now, can you find a way to provide a dry way for them to cross the sea? Can you move the water with containers? Or can you blow it apart? Do you have any other ideas?

PRAY ABOUT IT

God goes before you every day. Thank God for always going before you. Tell God about something that may scare you or something that seems like a big problem. Ask God to give you courage.

Ten Ways to be Perfect

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Week 3 - Day 3

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Bible: Exodus 20

The Jesus Storybook Bible: Ten Ways to be Perfect, pages 100-107

TALK ABOUT IT

- God set the Israelites free, parted a sea for them, and hid them in a cloud. But they still were not happy. They complained about being hungry, thirsty, tired, and the list goes on. So, God called Moses up to the top of a mountain and gave him some rules. What were the rules called?
- List some of the rules God gave Moses.
- Were the Israelites able to keep the rules?
- God said only one person would be able to keep all the rules. Who was that person?

DO IT: BIG TEN BOOKLET

1. Have only one God as your God.
2. Worship only God, nothing else.
3. Use God's name with honor.
4. Keep the Sabbath day (Sunday) special.
5. Honor your father and mother.
6. Do not murder.
7. Keep your marriage promises.
8. Do not steal.
9. Do not lie.
10. Do not want what other people have.

The story we just read was about God giving Moses the Ten Commandments. Using the simple list above, let's make a Ten Commandment booklet. So, get three pieces of white paper and fold them in half. Staple along the fold line. Write "Big Ten" on the cover and decorate it. On each of the following pages, write one commandment and then draw what that commandment means to you. **Variation:** Help your child make up a motion to remember each of the Ten Commandments. Once you have finished, pick one commandment and focus on living it out throughout the week.

PRAY ABOUT IT

Thank God for taking care of you just like he took care of the Israelites. Tell him what you love most about the way he cares for you.

The Warrior Leader

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Week 3 - Day 4

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Bible: Joshua 6

The Jesus Storybook Bible: The Warrior Leader, pages 108-115

TALK ABOUT IT

- What was the big problem the Israelites faced in moving into Jericho?
- The Israelites had swords, spears, and shields ready, but they didn't need them. They only needed to trust and listen to God. God gave the Israelites a battle plan. What did they do for six days, and what did they do on the seventh day?
- What was the result of the Israelites following God's battle plan instead of their plan?

DO IT: BATTLE PLAN

Can you imagine being an Israelite and being told that you and 39,999 other people were supposed to march around a city and make noise? What would you think about that command? Let's see if we can experience what the Israelites may have experienced. Let's build a walled city.

Materials: blocks, Legos®, or pillows.

Directions: Let's use the blocks, Legos®, or pillows to build a city in the middle to represent Jericho. Then let's build a wall around it. Once we are done, we can pretend it is the seventh day, and we can march around the wall making as much noise as 40,000 people would have made. Do you think our city will fall? You might need to help it a little by knocking it over if it does not fall.

PRAY ABOUT IT

The Israelites battle plan was to trust and listen to God. Talk to God about how you plan to trust and listen to him.

The Teeny, Weenie... True King

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Week 3 - Day 5

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Bible: 1 Samuel 16

The Jesus Storybook Bible: The Teeny, Weenie... True King, pages 116-121

TALK ABOUT IT

- Samuel went to Jesse's house in Bethlehem to find and anoint a new king. How many sons did Jesse have? (This is tricky.)
- What did Samuel think a king would look like?
- Samuel looked over seven of Jesse's sons and could not find a king. What happened next?
- Describe David. (age, size, strength)

DO IT: INSIDE OUT

On the outside, David did not look like a king. He was small, ruddy, and young. But in God's eyes, David was more than a shepherd boy; he was a king. God looks to find good in our hearts. He does not look at our outside, but wants our hearts, our insides, to look like Jesus. It is like a piece of fruit. Get a piece of fruit from the kitchen. Now, describe what the fruit looks like on the outside. Taste the outside. Is the peeling good? Let's cut the fruit open. What does the fruit look like on the inside? Taste the inside. Is the inside of the fruit good? How can we compare the outside and inside of fruit to our outside and inside? Do we look one way on the outside, but have a heart that looks like Jesus on the inside?

Variation: Draw an outline of a person. Inside the outline, work with your child to brainstorm a list of all the qualities God has placed in your child. Read Ephesians 6:10-18. Discuss the armor of God. Help your child understand that God has given him everything he needs to fight any battle placed in his life. He has the armor of God, and he possesses godly qualities. He is fully equipped.

PRAY ABOUT IT

God cares about what we look like on the inside. Talk to God about some of the things in your life that might not look like Jesus. Ask for his help.