

# Through the Bible for Children: Exodus Lesson 6

## I Remember My Promise

Exodus 5:1-7:7

After they had spoken with the children of Israel and showed them the signs, Moses and Aaron went before Pharaoh. They told Pharaoh, "Thus says the Lord God of Israel, 'Let my people go, that they may honor me with a feast in the wilderness.'"

Pharaoh's answer to them was, "Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, neither will I let Israel go!"

Moses and Aaron said, "The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Let us go please, three days journey into the desert, and sacrifice to the Lord our God. Then he won't bring pestilence, or our enemies on us."

"Why do you keep the people from their work? Get back to your duties", said Pharaoh.

Then Pharaoh commanded his taskmasters, saying, "Do not give the people straw to make the bricks any longer. Let them find their own straw, but they must continue to make the same amount of bricks as before. They don't have enough to do, that is why they say, 'Let us go and sacrifice to our God.'"

Then the leaders of the children of Israel saw that they were in a terrible predicament. They met Moses and Aaron and said to them, "The Lord make you responsible for our troubles, because you have made us to be hated by the Egyptians, and it will cause our deaths."

Moses went before the Lord and cried, "Lord, why have you caused your people to be treated in this evil way? Why did you send me here? Since I came before Pharaoh to speak for you, he has done even more evil to your people, and you have not even delivered them from their troubles."

The Lord said to Moses, "Now you will see what I will do to Pharaoh. For I will deliver my people with a strong hand, and Pharaoh will let them go. In fact he will drive them out of the land." The Lord went on, "I am the Lord. I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob by the name of God Almighty." In Hebrew that is El Shaddai. "But they did not know me by the name JEHOVAH, I AM THAT I AM. I have established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, the land where they were strangers. I have heard the groaning of Israel whom the Egyptians keep in slavery. I remember my promise to them. So tell the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you of your slavery. I will redeem you with a strong arm and with great judgments. I will make you my people, and I will be your God which brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you to the land that I promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. I will give it to you for an inheritance. I am the Lord"

So Moses spoke to the children of Israel, but they wouldn't listen to Moses because their spirits were in great suffering due to their cruel slavery.

Then the Lord spoke to Moses again, saying, "Go and speak to Pharaoh, and tell him to let my people go." Moses answered, "How will Pharaoh listen to me, when the children of Israel will not listen."

The Lord answered Moses saying, "I will make you see like a god to Pharaoh. Say all that I tell you, and let Aaron be your spokesman. I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my wonders in the land of Egypt. But Pharaoh will not listen to you, so that I may punish Egypt, and bring my people out with great judgments. Then the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I send my judgments on them, and bring the children of Israel out from among them.

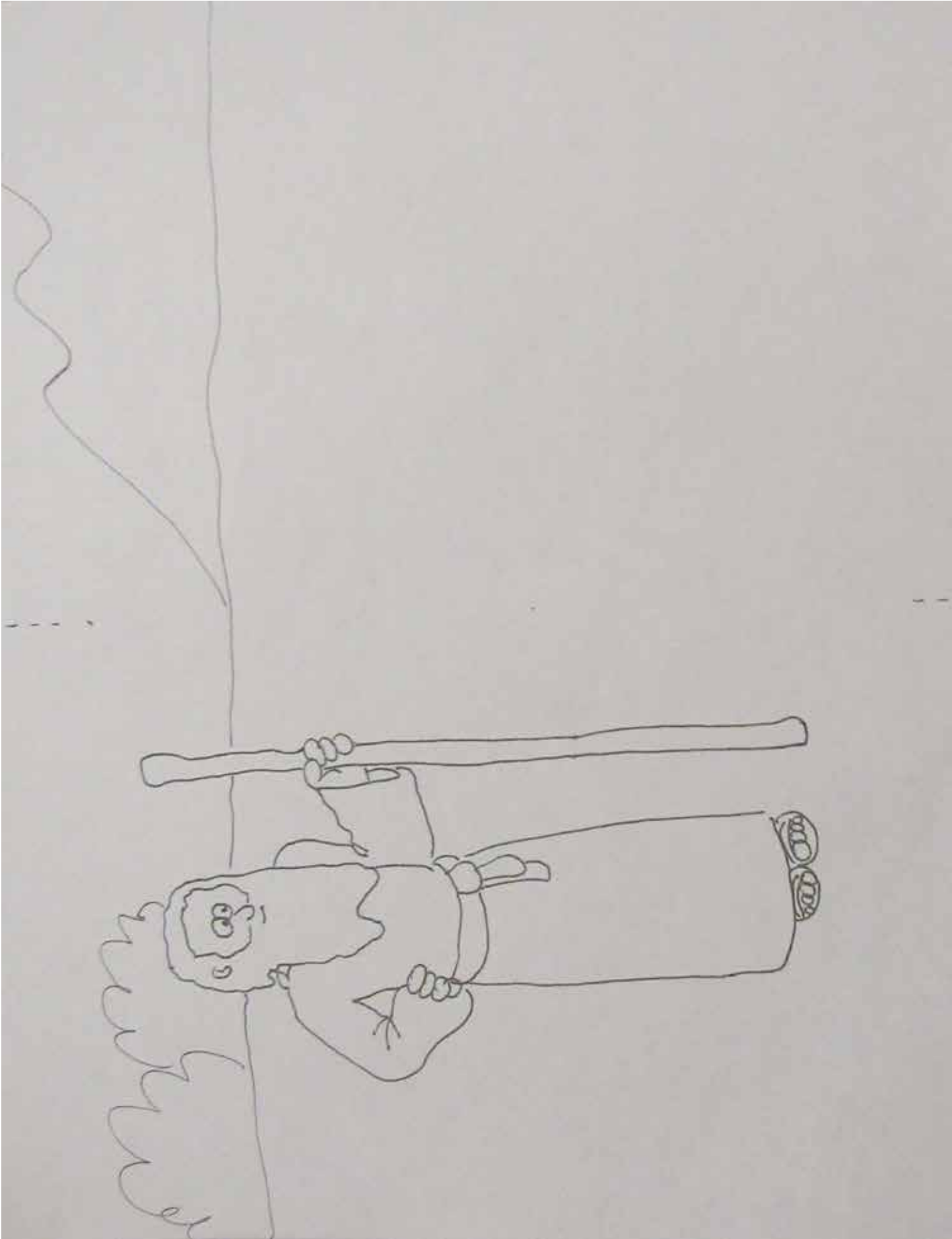
The children of Israel wanted to be delivered from their slave masters, but they wanted it to be easy on them. The Lord was willing to deliver them, but it had to be done his way. Often when the Lord works in our lives for our good, it is painful for us. For in the end the most important thing to the Lord is that we should know him better, and the best way to really see God at work is to see him work in our lives delivering us from trouble and despair. When God works in his people's lives at the same time he is showing the unbelieving world who he is, so that every one can know the true and living God. The sorrow and pain is for short time so that we might be more mature Christians in the end, and that the world may know who God is.

Learn:

Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried and fire, might be found into praise and honor and glory at the appearance of Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:6-7

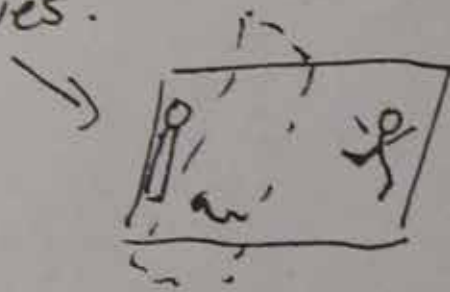






1. Both sheets are folded  
on dotted lines -

2. Paste together the 2 blank  
halves.



3. make a serpent out of yarn +  
paste on folded sided  
where moses is running.

4. flip the middle section back +  
forth to tell story.

blowin'  
or pipe clean



1 - fold each picture in half

2 - glue center halves together

3 - Color

4 - make snake out of brown pipe cleaner bending one end back to make head

5 - make snake eye with small paper fastener

6 - paste snake

chasing running

Moses - draw snake tongue

