



Today's true story comes from the book of Exodus in the Bible. Joseph's family grew really big just as God had promised. God kept His promise. Can you say, "Hooray!"? *Repeat with kids.* The family became known as the Israelites. A new king, called Pharaoh, ruled over Egypt. Pharaoh was afraid of the Israelites because there were so many of them. He made them work very hard. The Israelites were very sad. Everyone make a very sad face. *Demonstrate for the kids.* They called out to God. They asked God to save them. God heard their prayers.

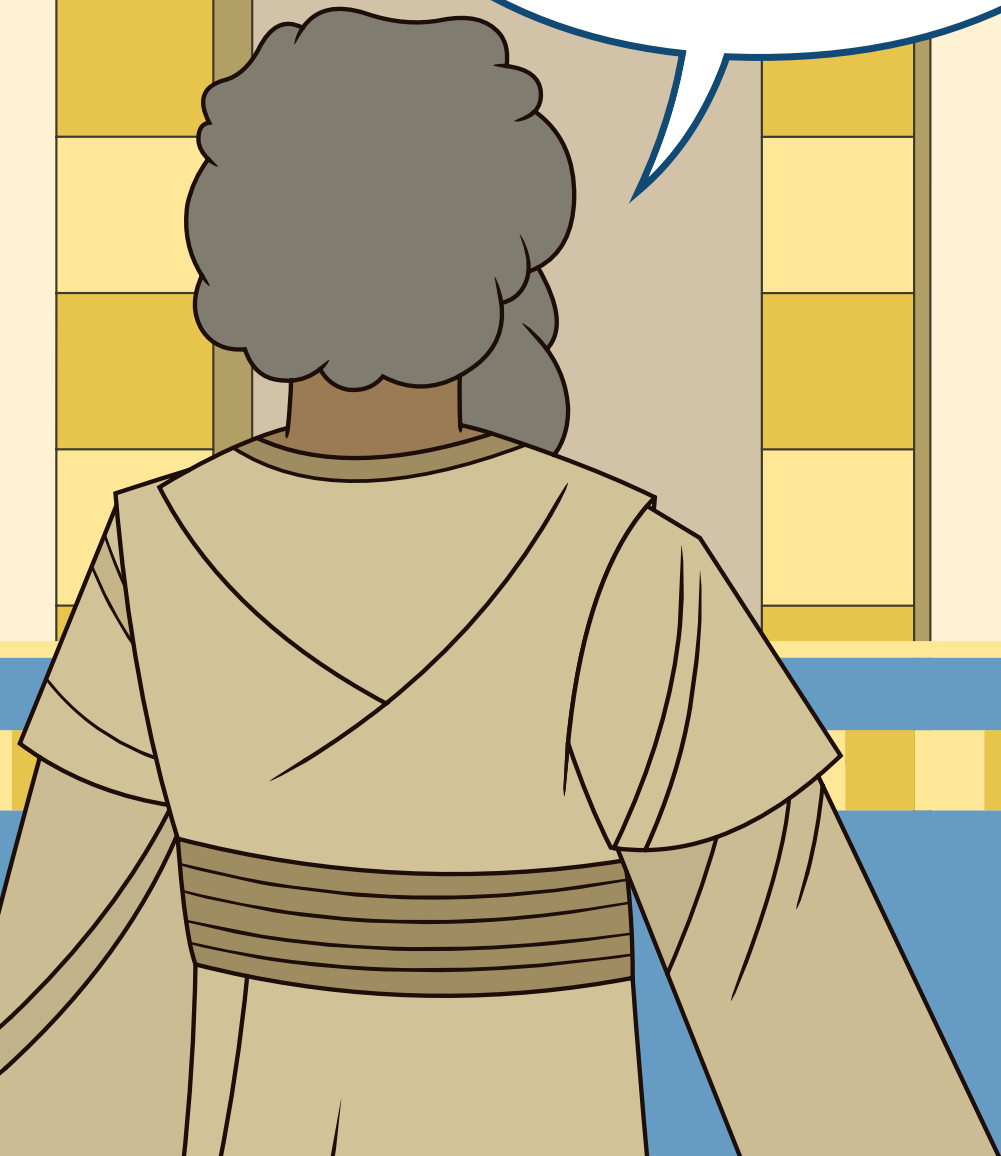


In another land outside Egypt, an Israelite named Moses was taking care of his sheep. What sound does a sheep make? Baaa! Suddenly he saw a burning bush! The bush was on fire, but it did not burn up!



God called to Moses from the bush:
“Moses! Moses!” “Here I am,” Moses said.
God said, “Do not come closer. Take off
your sandals. This is holy ground.” Then
God told Moses who He was—the God of
Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

**LET MY
PEOPLE GO!**



The Lord promised to rescue the Israelites and give them a new land. This was the same land He had promised to Abraham! God told Moses to go to Pharaoh and tell him, "Let my people go!" Moses asked whom he should say was sending him with this message. God replied, "I AM who I AM." God was saying He has always been God. He is God forever! Moses went to speak with Pharaoh, just as God had told him to do. Pharaoh didn't want the Israelites to go. But God sent great plagues until Pharaoh said, "Get out!"



The Israelites were rescued, just like God had said. God is forever God. Just like the Israelites were stuck in Egypt, we are stuck in our sin. We need a Rescuer. God's own Son, Jesus, is that Rescuer! He loves us forever!



God lives forever!



God is always with us.



God is always with me.



BIG QUESTION



MONTHLY

Memory Verse

Does God ever
change? No!

*Jesus Christ is the same
yesterday and today
and forever.
(Hebrews 13:8)*