Bible Stories for Young Children

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'LET MY PEOPLE GO'

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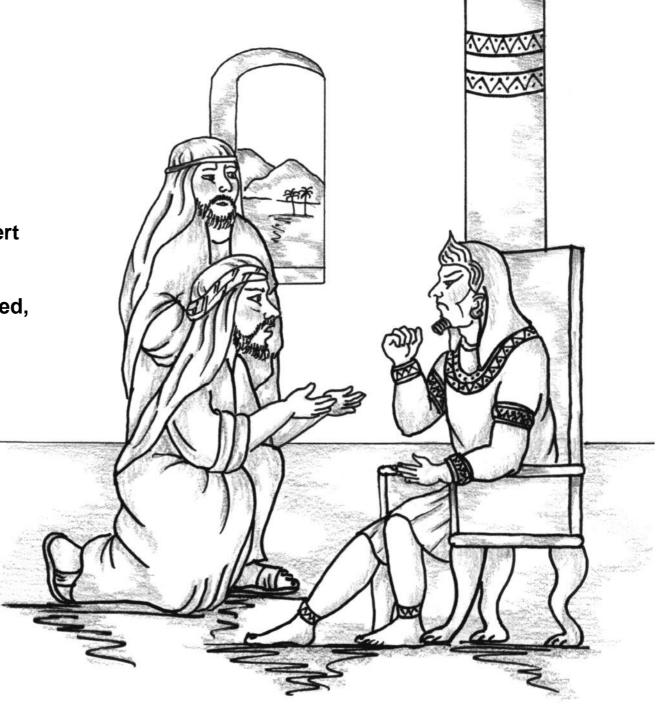
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EXODUS 5:1 – 10:29 Exodus 11:1 Psalm 105:26–35 'LET MY PEOPLE GO' File no. 26

Moses said to Pharaoh, 'The Lord wants you to let His people go out into the desert to worship Him.'

'Who is the Lord,' Pharaoh asked, 'and why should I obey Him?'

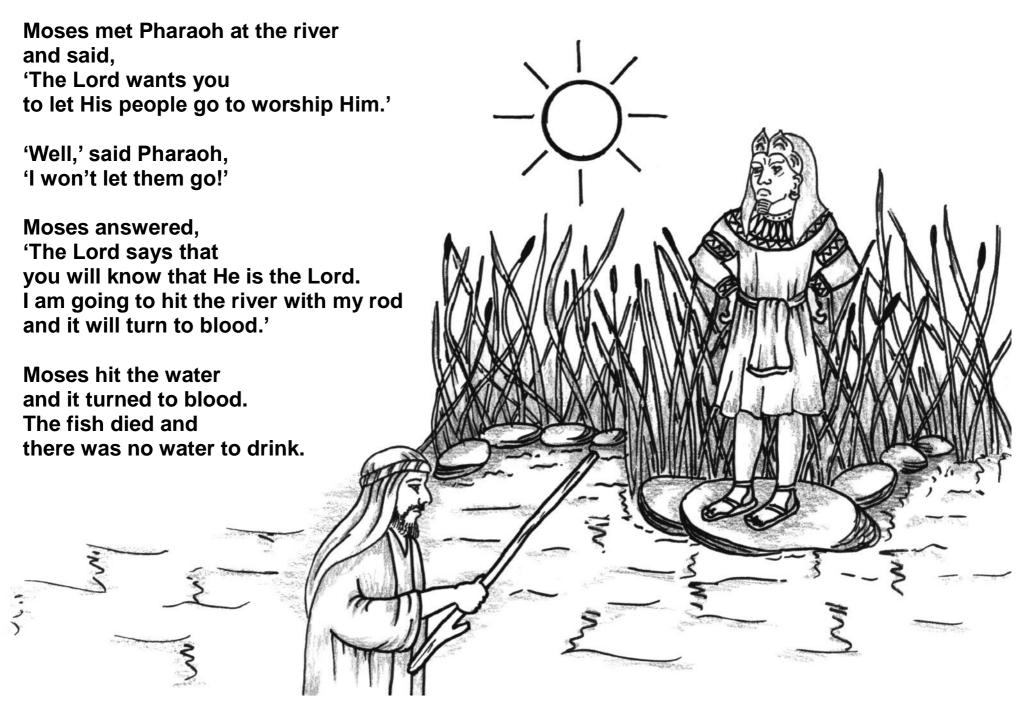
Pharaoh was angry and ordered God's people to do more work.



Moses said to the Lord, 'Since I have spoken to Pharaoh, he has hurt Your people more. What are You doing?'

The Lord answered,
'Watch and see what
I am going to do to Pharaoh.
I am the Lord.
I promised Abraham to give
the land of Canaan to his family.
I am going to free My people.
They will be Mine
and I will be their God.
Go now and meet Pharaoh.
He is on his way to the river.'





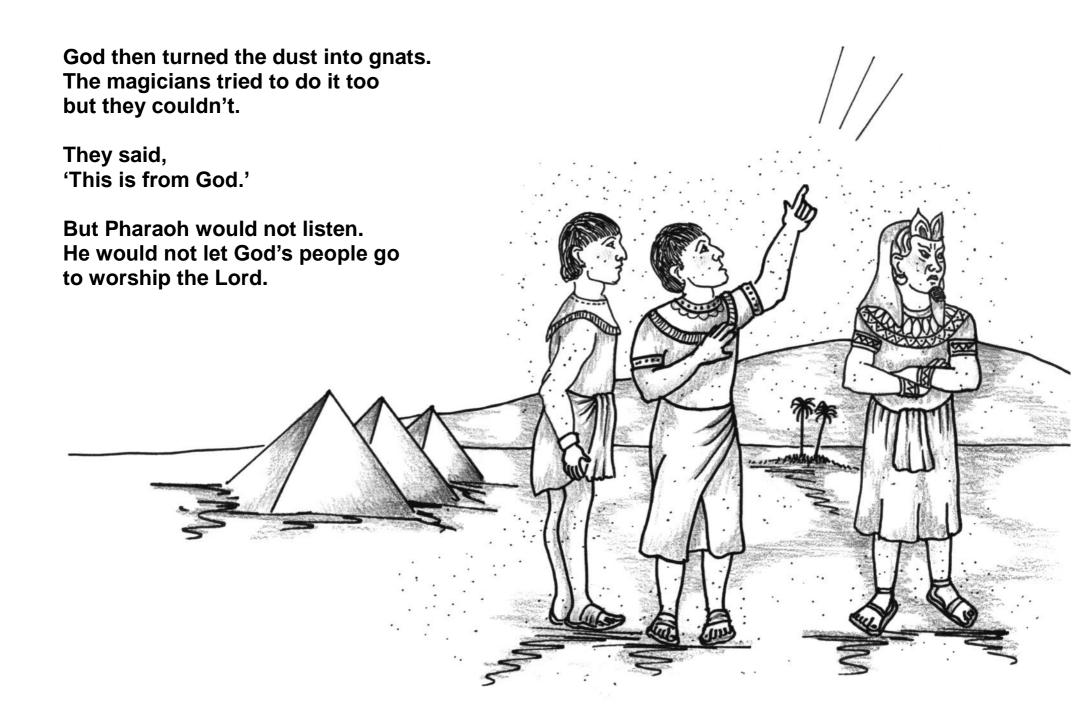
A week later God sent frogs – so many that they were everywhere.

Pharaoh said, 'Ask the Lord to take away the frogs and I will let the people go.'

Moses prayed and all the frogs disappeared.

Then Pharaoh changed his mind and said, 'You can't go!'

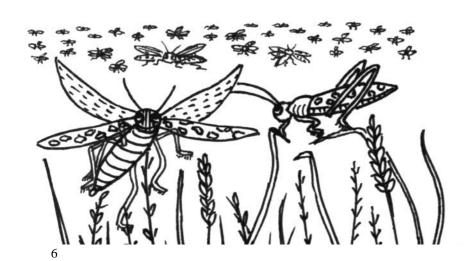




So God sent other plagues – this time, only on the Egyptians. God wanted Pharaoh to see that He loved His people.

The other plagues were: flies, sickness on the animals, big sores on the people, hail and thunderstorms and locusts.

The plagues ruined everything, but still, Pharaoh would not let the people go.





Then God sent darkness on the Egyptians for three days. Pharaoh was afraid and angry.

He said to Moses, 'Go away! Don't let me see you again or you will die.'

God's power and plan to save His people had been shown to Pharaoh. God would send one more plague.

Then Pharaoh would let God's people go to worship the Lord.

