

THE BIRTH OF MOSES

Using the Bible read the story of The birth of Moses which can be found in the book of Exodus chapter 2, verses 1-10.

If you don't have access to a Bible or you wish to see another version of the story, we have posted a link below to a version available on YouTube.



https://youtu.be/vf-4x4iefQE



UNPACKED

We have heard the story of Moses' birth recently in another edition of Cymuned Bach but now we are going to take a look at the story from a mother's point of view.

Jochebed was the mother of Aaron, Miriam and Moses and lived in Egypt with her children and her husband Amram. Before Moses' birth a new King took the throne in Egypt. He knew nothing of Joseph and feared the Israelites because he thought they may fight against him if there was ever a war. In order to try to keep the Israelites from threatening him and his Kingdom the King decided to make them slaves. The new King also decided that any Israelite child who was a boy could not live.

Children are a gift and anyone who has ever loved a child will tell you that their child is special, but in this story we hear that Jochebed saw something extra special in her son Moses. Jochebed loved all her children but because Moses was born in a time where it was not safe to have children she had to risk her own safety and the safety of her family to keep Moses hidden. Imagine how much noise a baby makes - it can't have been easy keeping him safe from the Egyptians. Then when she could no longer hide Moses at home she has to take more risks. She risks her life and his by placing him in a basket and taking him to the river Nile. She risks losing him completely if the river carries him away and she risks him being killed if anyone find the baby and realises that he is an Israelite. She must have loved her son very much to take so many risks for him.

Thankfully for Jochebed it all works out well and she is able to take care of her so until he is a little older without fear of anyone getting in trouble, thanks to the quick thinking of her daughter.

Parents or those who take care of us will risk their lives to keep us safe so on this mothering Sunday let's thank God for all mothers and all those who are like mothers to us and be grateful for all that they do to help us thrive.

SAFETY HIDING PLACE

YOU WILL NEED: AN EMPTY PLASTIC BOTTLE; STICKS AND TWIGS; A PIECE OF STRING.

GET AN EMPTY PLASTIC BOTTLE AND CUT OFF THE TWO ENDS. THIS MIGHT BE HARD TO DO, SO YOU MIGHT NEED AN ADULT TO DO THIS PART. BE CAREFUL NOT TO CUT YOURSELF ON THE EDGES. GATHER SOME STICKS AND TWIGS. POP THEM INTO YOUR BOTTLE SO THE ENDS OF THE STICKS ARE HANGING OUT OVER THE SIDES. TIE A PIECE OF STRING AROUND THE OUTSIDE OF THE BOTTLE, LEAVING A LONG END. ATTACH YOUR BUG HOTEL TO A TREE. GO BACK IN A WEEK'S TIME AND SEE IF ANY BUGS HAVE MADE A HOME IN YOUR HOTEL.



GIVING

"Go in peace," Eli said, "and may the God of Israel give you what you have asked him for." 1 Samuel 1:17

YOU WILL NEED:
A PIECE OF KITCHEN PAPER;
FELT-TIP PENS;
TWO GLASSES WITH WATER IN

INSTRUCTIONS:

- FOLD YOUR KITCHEN PAPER IN TWO.
- DRAW A RAINBOW ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PAPER (SEE PHOTO).
- FILL TWO GLASSES WITH WATER.
- POP BOTH RAINBOW ENDS OF THE PAPER INTO EACH GLASS.
- WATCH AS THE RAINBOW GROWS ACROSS THE PAPER.

WHY NOT TRY THIS SCIENCE EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES OF WATER?

DOES IT MAKE THE RAINBOW GROW FASTER?

THIS IS CALLED CAPILLARY ACTION AND SCIENTISTS USE IT FOR SEPARATING DIFFERENT PARTS OF A MIXTURE.

THE RAINBOW IS A SIGN OF GOD'S PROMISE.

DURING THE PANDEMIC, LOTS OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN USING RAINBOWS AS A SIGN OF HOPE.

THERE IS A STORY IN THE BIBLE ABOUT A LADY CALLED HANNAH. SHE REALLY WANTED A CHILD. ONE DAY, SHE PRAYED THAT IF GOD GAVE HER A SON, SHE WOULD BRING HIM BACK TO THE TEMPLE TO BE BROUGHT UP TO DO GOD'S WORK. WHEN HANNAH BECAME PREGNANT, SHE WAS SO EXCITED. BUT SHE REMEMBERED THE PROMISE SHE MADE TO GOD AND KEPT THAT PROMISE. I WONDER WHAT PROMISES YOU HAVE MADE AND KEPT.