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OVERVIEW CARD

MOSES IN THE SEA

Key Question:

Whose way is perfect?

Bottom Line:

God's way is perfect.

Memory Verse:

"God's way is perfect."

2 Samuel 22:31, NIV

Bible Story Focus:

God's way is awesome!

Moses in the Sea

Exodus 13:17-14:31

Coloring Page:

God makes a path through the Red Sea.

Music:

Super Wonderful

Who Knows Best

Great Big God

Whatever, Wherever

Bible Lesson:

The Beginner's Bible

The Red Sea

Pages 111 to 115

Story:

The Story about Ping

by Marjorie Flack

Service Time:

73 minutes (week 3) – Baptism Weekend

68 minutes (week 4)

Memory Verse –

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ACTIVITY 1 – 2's/3's only

MOSES IN THE SEA

Move the Sea

Big Idea:

Have the children part and walk through the sea by moving the blue crumpled paper into two separate parallel rows.

What You Need: 15-20 medium-sized pieces of blue colored paper/butcher paper and 20-25 plush toy fish

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Crumple up the papers and then lay them out together in the activity area. Make sure they are close enough together to look like one big body of water. Add some toy fish to the paper.

During the Activity: Ask the children to “part the sea” just like in the lesson today. Encourage them to move the paper and fish to the sides and create a path down the middle. Have the children walk on the path that they have created.

After the Activity: Say the Bottom Line together.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Looks like we have a sea in our room!”

During the Activity: “Can you move the water and make a path in the sea just like what happened in our lesson today? (Allow the children to do activity.) Awesome job! Now we can walk on the path just like Moses and the Israelites did!” (Walk on the path.)

After the Activity: “God is AMAZING! His way is ALWAYS perfect! I love how He made a path in the sea for Moses and the Israelites to walk on. **Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!**”

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ACTIVITY 2 – 2's/3's only **MOSES IN THE SEA**

Follow the Leader

Big Idea:

Have the children play a fun game of “Follow the Leader”.

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

During the activity: Play a fun game of Follow the Leader. Walk, skip, hop, tip-toe, and do other fun action movements around the room. Move your arms in funny ways. Zig-zag from side to side. Act like different animals. Do whatever you can to make following you as much fun as it can be! Allow the children to take turns being the leader as well. Continue playing as long as the children are having fun.

What You Say:

During the activity: “Come on, everyone! Line up behind me! We’re going to play Follow the Leader. All you have to do is follow me and do what I do!”

At the end of the activity: “That was so much fun! You guys did a great job following and a great job leading, too! Our Bible lesson today was about some people who had to follow Moses right through a sea of water. You heard me—they walked right through the sea! Isn’t that AMAZING!”

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ACTIVITY 3 - All

MOSES IN THE SEA

Hop the Hoops

Big Idea:

Have the children hop from hoop to hoop while saying the Memory Verse.

What You Need: Four Hula-Hoops™.

What You Do: Place the Hula-Hoops™ in a row on the floor. Show the children how to jump from one hoop to another while saying one word of the Memory Verse each time they hop to a different hoop. (Options: Zigzag the hoops, put more distance between each hoop, jump sideways rather than straight forward, etc. Keep changing it up and playing as long as the children are interested.)

What You Say:

During the activity: “Watch what I can do! (Jumping from hoop to hoop as you say the words of the Memory Verse) God’s-Way-is-Perfect! Can you jump from hoop to hoop while saying God’s-Way-is-Perfect? Sure you can!”

After the Activity: “Great job! Our verse tells us that God is PERFECT! He never makes bad choices. He is always right! **Whose way is perfect? God’s way is perfect!**”

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ACTIVITY 4 – 4's/5's only MOSES IN THE SEA

Shaving Cream Fish

Big Idea:

Children will use shaving cream to make fish shapes and part the sea.

Be sure to list the items you will be using today on the “Allergy Alert Poster” and post it at the door to your room.

What You Need: “Allergy Alert Poster,” white cardstock, plastic table clothes, a can of shaving cream and baby wipes

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the “Allergy Alert Poster” on white cardstock and post it at the door. Cover each table with a plastic table clothes.

During the Activity: Squirt a small amount of shaving cream onto the table and flatten it a bit with your hand. Show the children how to use one finger to draw fish shapes in the shaving cream. Then show them how to smooth it out flat and “part” the water by drawing a line through the shaving cream with their finger.

What You Say:

During the Activity: “Today we’re going to ‘draw’ in our shaving cream with one finger like this! (Demonstrate how to draw with your finger on the table.) You can draw anything you might see in the ocean with your finger. Now that you’ve drawn some things in the sea, I want you to flatten your shaving cream like this (show them how to flatten their mound of shaving cream) and use your finger to draw a line down the center like this (demonstrate).

After the Activity: “In our Bible lesson today, we heard about how God parted the water so that people could walk across the sea on dry land! Can you imagine what it must have been like for the Israelites to see all that water stacked up on either side of them, with a path right down the middle for them walk through? God’s way is AWESOME! I’m so glad Moses chose to listen to God and believe that **God’s way is perfect**. We can believe that too. **Whose way is perfect? God’s way is perfect.**”

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ACTIVITY 5 – 4's/5's only

MOSES IN THE SEA

Cup Line

Big Idea:

Have the children recreate the lesson by building the parted sea with plastic cups.

What You Need: 100 blue plastic cups

What You Do:

During the Activity: In an open area of the room, pass out the cups to the children. Encourage them to line up or stack the cups to form two walls with 50 cups on each side. Be prepared to help them. Once the “walls” are up, encourage the children to walk through them on dry land just like Moses and Israelites did.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “When Moses raised his staff, what happened? (Pause.) That’s right. The sea parted so they could walk through on dry land! Today we’re going to use these cups to make the sea part just like we heard about in our lesson.”

During the Activity: “Okay, let’s make sure everyone has a cup or two. Now, let’s stack them and line them up to form two walls. (Help them line up and stack the cups.) Great job! Now, let’s walk through the parted water on dry land just like Moses and the Israelites did!”

After the Activity: “That was SO fun! But can you imagine what it must have been like for the Israelites to see all that water stacked up on either side of them, with a path right down the middle for them walk through? God’s way is AWESOME! I’m so glad Moses chose to listen to God and believe that **God’s way is perfect**. We can believe that too. **Whose way is perfect? God’s way is perfect.**”

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CRAFT WEEK 3

MOSES IN THE SEA

Moses in the Sea

Big Idea:

Children will use crayons and stickers to make a picture of Moses in the sea.

What You Need: “Water” Activity Pages, “Land” Activity Pages (brown cardstock strips), fish stickers, blue crayons, scissors, and glue sticks

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Each child will need one “Water” Activity Page and one brown strip from the “Land” Activity Page.

During the Activity: Give each child a white Activity Page and a strip of brown cardstock. Help the children glue the brown strip between the lines on the white Activity Page. Give the children the blue crayons and encourage the child to color both sides of the brown strip. Give the children the fish stickers and ask him to place them on the blue areas, which are the sea.

After the Activity: Say the Bottom Line together.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “In our lesson today, God parted the water so that Moses and the Israelites could pass through. Let’s make a picture of the parted sea to take home to help us remember.”

During the Activity: (*Give the child a white Activity Page and a brown strip of cardstock.*) “Do you see the lines in the middle of your white page? (*Point.*) Use your glue to put the brown strip of paper there. That will be the land. Now we need water! Use your blue crayon to color both sides of the land blue to make water. (*Allow the children to work.*) Great job! Now we just need to add fish to the water!” (*Hand out the fish stickers.*)

After the Activity: “Your pictures are beautiful! They show the miracle that was in God’s plan by parting the sea. God’s way is PERFECT! **Whose way is perfect? God’s way is perfect!**”

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CRAFT WEEK 4

MOSES IN THE SEA

Part the Sea

Big Idea:

Children will use crayons and glue sticks to make a picture of Moses in the sea.

What You Need: “Red Sea” Activity Page, “Moses” cutouts, scissors, crayons, and glue sticks

What You Do:

During the Activity: Retell the lesson as the children color the picture and glue Moses by the Red Sea.

What You Say:

During the Activity: “Today we learned all about Moses and the great adventure God planned for him. That adventure started when he was just a baby. Then, when he was older, Moses became a shepherd and took care of the sheep. One day, Moses saw a burning bush. Only this bush was special and wasn’t burning up. When Moses went to look at it, he heard God talking to him in the bush. God told him to go and rescue God’s people from the mean king. Moses knew that **God’s way is perfect**. So he went and rescued them. Then, as they were leaving, the mean king sent his soldiers after Moses and God’s people. They chased them all the way to the Red Sea. Moses had nowhere to go! Oh no! But, God did something amazing! Moses held up his staff and the Red Sea parted in two so the people could walk down the middle on a dry path. Today we’re going to make a picture of Moses and the Red Sea. Color your sea and then we’ll glue Moses to the side to show that this was part of his great adventure!”

After the Activity: “God had a great adventure planned for Moses, and Moses did what God said because Moses knew that **God’s way is perfect**.”

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SMALL GROUP

MOSES IN THE SEA

Small Group Time

What you Need: Parent Take Home Card, Blue Playdoh, Rolling Pins, and Sticker Roll

SMALL GROUP LEADER (SGL): "Raise your hand if you like Playdoh. (*Pause and raise your own hand.*) I do too! Today, I have some blue Playdoh that we are going to use. Can you name some other things that are blue? (*Pause.*) Correct! Those are all great answers! Today, we learned about something else that was the color blue. Do you remember what it was? (*Pause.*) You are correct again, blue is the color of water. Who walked through water in our lesson? (*Pause.*) Correct again! Just when Moses and the Israelites thought they were trapped and there was no way for them to get away from the Egyptian army, God showed up and made a way! God parted the sea and made a dry path for them to walk across so they could get to a safe place. Wow! God's way is perfect AND awesome! **Whose way is perfect?**

CHILDREN and SGL: "God's way is perfect."

SGL: "You are so smart! Great job! Today, I want us to think of some awesome things God has done. It can be awesome things we've heard in Bible stories or awesome things He's done in our life or a friend's life. When we pray we can use our list to tell God how awesome His way is! (*Let children answer.*) Those are all some pretty great things! God is so awesome!"

"Ok, it's time to review our lesson. I am going to ask you some questions and you will get a sticker for answering them. I have some really cool stickers today. Are you ready? (*Pause.*) Great! (*Ask the children the questions from the "Parent Take Home Cards". You can also make up additional questions from our video lesson. Don't forget to ask them to say their memory verse for another sticker. You can repeat the same questions over and over as repetition is good for preschoolers.*) You are such great listeners!"

"Now I'll pray before it's time to say goodbye until next week. (*Read the prayer on the back of the "Parent Take Home Card."*)"

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