



GOD'S WONDERS

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SIGNS FOR MOSES

FOCUS

EXODUS 3:1-2, 4:1-3, 4:6 4:9-12, 4:27-28 & PSALM 23:4

The signs that God gave to Moses when he told him to go to Egypt and ask Pharaoh to let his people go.

MATERIALS

Signs for Moses picture

Signs for Moses coloring page (1 per child)

Small shepherds staff and sheep (1 per child)

Large shepherds staff

God from within the burning bush recording and small speaker

Burning bush & flames

Signs for Moses (maze) coloring page (1 per child)

Orange or Brown Play-Doh (1 tablespoon child)

Bucket (or bowl) of flour and bucket (or bowl) of water and towel

Bowl with a cup of red Kool-Aid at bottom, small cups (1 per child) and large bucket of water

Pharaoh actor/actress (with optional headdress)

Moses and Aaron actor/actress

Crayons

ACTIVITIES

1. INTRODUCTION

TALK: Ask the children if they know who Moses is. Give a short summary of Moses before he went to Egypt to lead the Israelites out of slavery.

ACTIVITY: Show children the Moses and the burning bush picture and hang nearby for them to see.

2. MOSES THE SHEPHERD

TALK: After Moses left Egypt he lived in Midian with his new family. He became a shepherd and took care of his father-in-laws sheep. Sometimes he traveled far from home to let his sheep graze.

ACTIVITY: Color the Signs for Moses coloring page.



CORRESPONDING VERSE



MOSES WAS TENDING THE FLOCK
OF JETHRO HIS FATHER—IN—LAW,
THE PRIEST OF MIDIAN, AND HE
LED THE FLOCK TO THE FAR SIDE
OF THE WILDERNESS AND CAME
TO HOREB, THE MOUNTAIN OF GOD.

FXODUS 3:1

ACTIVITIES

3. SHEPHERDS STAFF

TALK: Ask the children if they know what a shepherds staff is. What is it used for. Some ways are for pointing the sheep in the right direction, guiding the sheep or sometimes prodding and catching them, and for protection. Then compare this to the example of the shepherds staff in the bible. God wants us to trust his direction and judgment. He may need to push us in the right direction if we are being stubborn, but he always wants to protect us from danger!



CORRESPONDING VERSE

YOUR ROD AND YOUR STAFF, THEY COMFORT ME.
PSALM 23:4

ACTIVITY: Have children string beads onto pipe cleaners and bend into the shape of a staff. Let them practice using their staff to wrangle in a sheep.

4. BURNING BUSH

TALK: One day when Moses was watching his sheep he saw a strange sight...

ACTIVITY: With Moses carrying a large shepherds staff, walk the kids around until they see the burning bush.

Once they all stop play the first recorded line. Kids are to respond "Here I am."

After the second have them take off their shoes, then play the third. Have kids say "Who me?" Then play the fourth and fifth recording.

THERE THE ANGEL OF THE LORD APPEARED TO HIM IN FLAMES OF FIRE FROM WITHIN A BUSH.

EXODUS 3:2

5. SIGNS FOR MOSFS

TALK: Even though God spoke to Moses through flames, He also gave Moses three wonders to prove to the Israelites and Pharaoh that God had sent Moses: a staff that turned into snake, a hand that turned leprous then was instantly healed, and water that turned into blood.

ACTIVITY: Have kids color and do the maze activity.

BONUS: Sing "Go to Egypt" song while children are coloring. Handout one to each adult so they can sing along too.



MOSES ANSWERED, "WHAT IF THEY DO NOT BELIEVE ME OR LISTEN TO ME AND SAY, 'THE LORD DID NOT APPEAR TO YOU'?"

6. STAFF INTO A SNAKE

TALK: The first sign God gave Moses was to turn his shepherds staff into a snake! This shocked Moses so much that he ran away from the snake, even though he knew that God had made it happen.

ACTIVITY: Give each child about a tablespoon of orange or brown Play-Doh. They are to first make a staff, then bend it into the shape of a snake then back into a staff.

THEN THE LORD SAID TO HIM, "WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND?" "A STAFF, HE REPLIED. THE LORD SAID, "THROW IT ON THE GROUND." MOSES THREW IT ON THE GROUND AND IT BECAME A SNAKE, AND HE RAN FROM IT.

FXODUS 4:2-3

ACTIVITIES

7. LEPROUS HAND

TALK: God is the ultimate healer! The second sign he showed Moses that he is even in control of our bodies! He made Moses instantly sick, then instantly better!

ACTIVITY: Get a bucket (or bowl) of flour and a bucket (or bowl) of water. Cover both with one towel so the children cannot see inside. Stick your hand under the tub of water then the tub of flour. Pull your hand out so they can see how it changed. Then put your hand back under the towel and clean it with the water. Let the children take turns if they wish to participate.

8. WATER INTO BLOOD

TALK: The third sign God gave Moses was to take water from the Nile and pour it on the ground. When it touched the ground it instantly became blood!

ACTIVITY: Let children fill small cups of water from a large bucket, and at the same time, have them pour the water into a large bowl with a cup of red Kool-Aid at the bottom.

9. MOSES DOUBTS

TALK: After all three signs Moses did not want to go! He knew that he would have trouble speaking in front of Pharaoh! God told him that he would help Moses speak and would teach him what to say. He was the one who gave him his mouth.

ACTIVITY: Have kids line up at the end of a driveway with their mom (or an adult). Then they are to walk down the driveway, with their parents behind them, to the Pharaoh actor/actress. Once they reach Pharaoh the mom (or adult) is to whisper in their ear. "Say, 'Let my people go!' to Pharaoh." The kids are to then say "Let me people go!" to Pharaoh.

CORRESPONDING VERSE

THEN THE LORD SAID, "PUT YOUR HAND INSIDE YOUR CLOAK." SO MOSES PUT HIS HAND INTO HIS CLOAK, AND WHEN HE TOOK IT OUT, THE SKIN WAS LEPROUS—IT HAD BECOME AS WHITE AS SNOW.

BUT IF THEY DO NOT BELIEVE THESE TWO SIGNS OR LISTEN TO YOU, TAKE SOME WATER FROM THE NILE AND POUR IT ON THE DRY GROUND. THE WATER YOU TAKE FROM THE RIVER WILL BECOME BLOOD ON THE GROUND.

FXODIS 4:9

MOSES SAID TO THE LORD,
"....I AM SLOW OF SPEECH
AND TONGUE." THE LORD SAID
TO HIM, "WHO GAVE HUMAN
BEINGS THEIR MOUTHS? WHO
MAKES THEM DEAF OR MUTE?
WHO GIVES THEM SIGHT OR
MAKES THEM BLIND? IS IT NOT
I, THE LORD? NOW GO; I WILL
HELP YOU SPEAK AND WILL
TEACH YOU WHAT TO SAY."
EXODUS 4:10-12

ACTIVITIES

10. AARON JOINS MOSES

TALK: God asked Aaron, Moses' brother to come and help. Aaron agreed and came to meet Moses.

ACTIVITY: Have Aaron actor/actress meet the children. Aaron is to say "God told me to meet with you, that you need my help. What did God tell you to do?" Children are then to explain what Moses was told to do and what three signs he was told to perform.

CORRESPONDING VERSE

THE LORD SAID TO AARON,
"GO INTO THE WILDERNESS
TO MEET MOSES." SO
HE MET MOSES AT THE
MOUNTAIN OF GOD AND
KISSED HIM. THEN MOSES
TOLD AARON EVERYTHING THE
LORD HAD SENT HIM TO SAY,
AND ALSO ABOUT ALL THE
SIGNS HE HAD COMMANDED
HIM TO PERFORM.

EXODUS 4:27-28

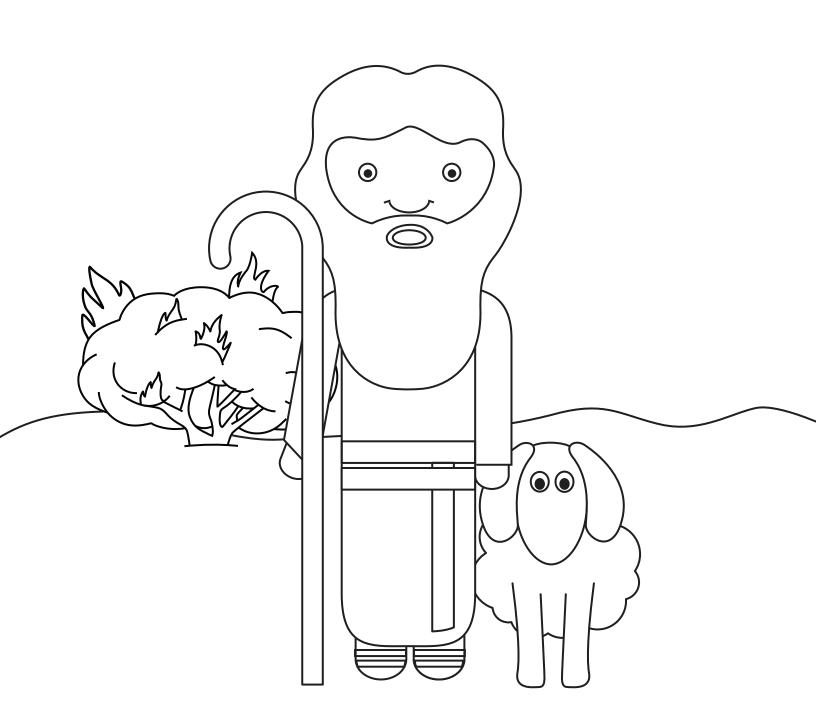
OPTIONAL: Hand out each child a bible verse to take home.

SO I WILL STRETCH OUT MY HAND
AND STRIKE THE EGYPTIANS
WITH ALL THE WONDERS THAT
I WILL PERFORM AMONG THEM.

SIGNS FOR MOSES



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SHEEP

YARN

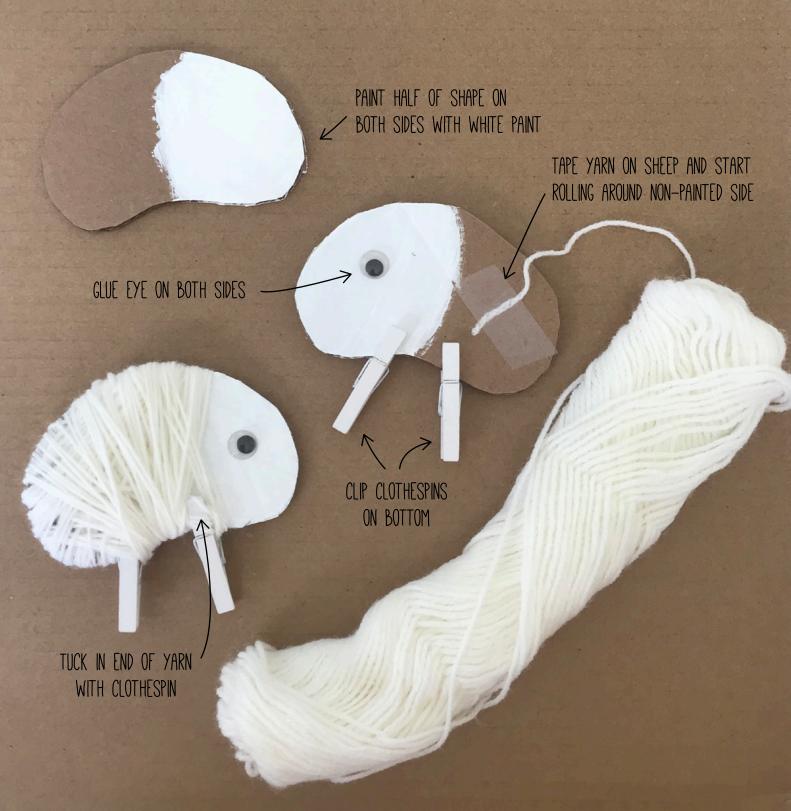
CARDBOARD CUT OUT USING SHEEP STENCIL

2 GOOGLY EYES

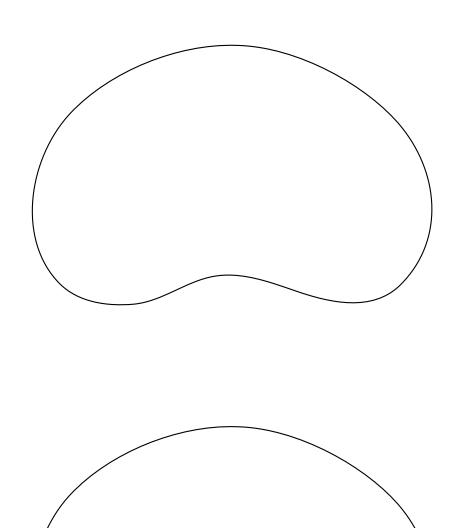
2 SMALL WHITE CLOTHESPINS



SHEEP



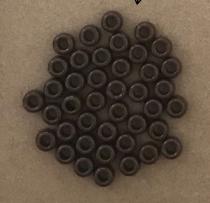
SHEEP OUTLINE



SHEPHERDS CROOK

. BROWN PIPE CLEANER

42 BROWN PONY BEADS

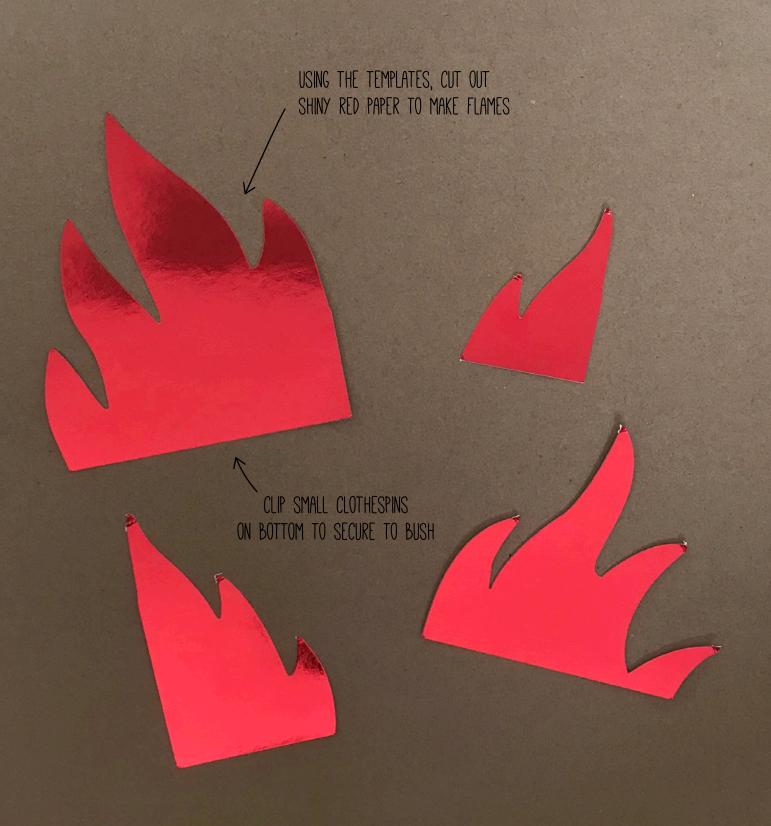


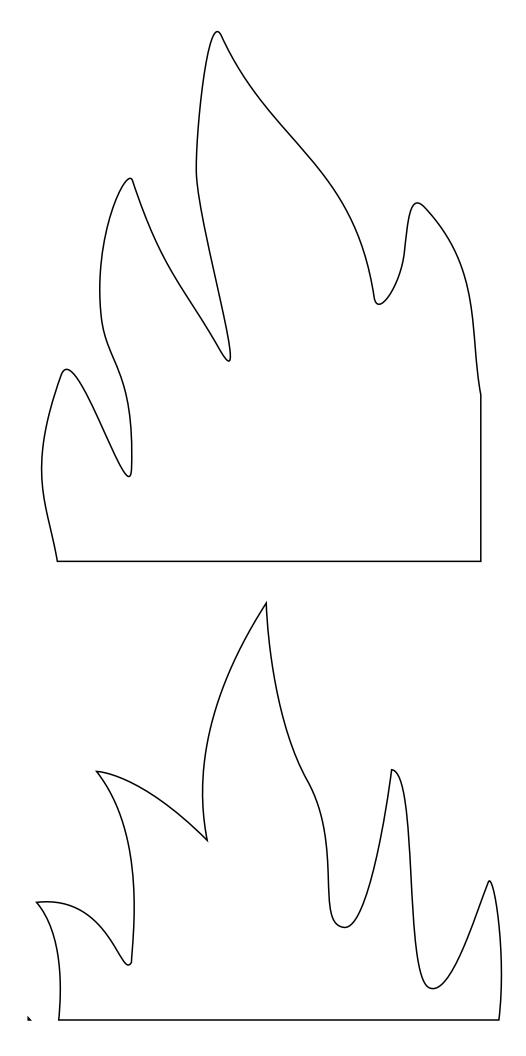
STRING BEADS THEN CURVE INTO CROOK SHAPE

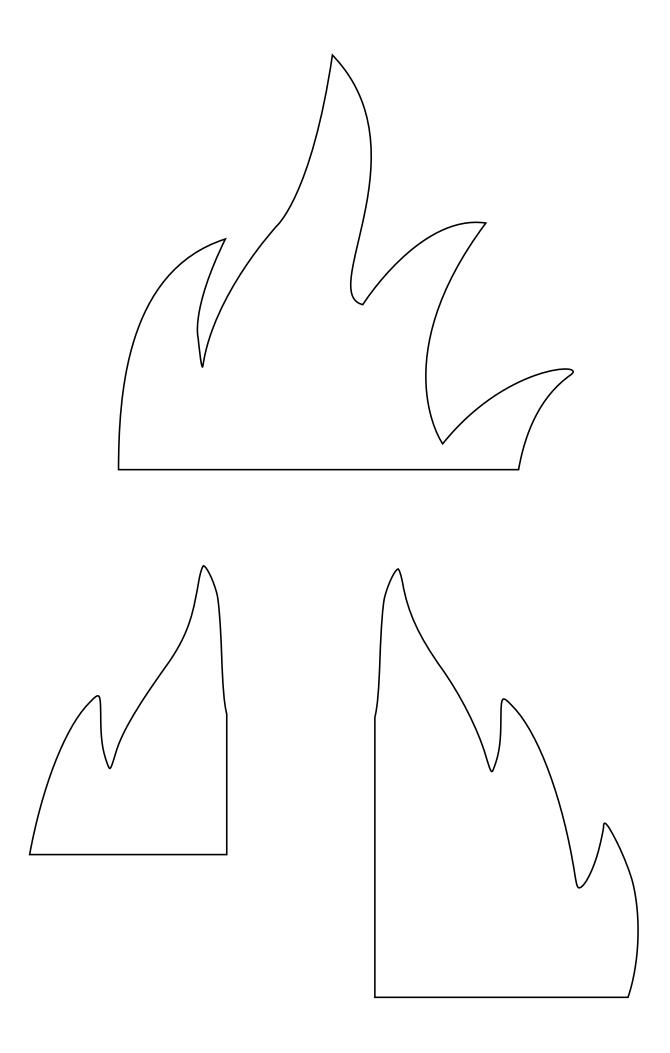


TUCK END OF PIPE CLEANER INTO 2ND TO LAST BEAD

BUSH ON FIRE







GOD

WHEN: AFTER KIDS REACH BURNING BUSH

SAY:

1. MOSES! MOSES!"

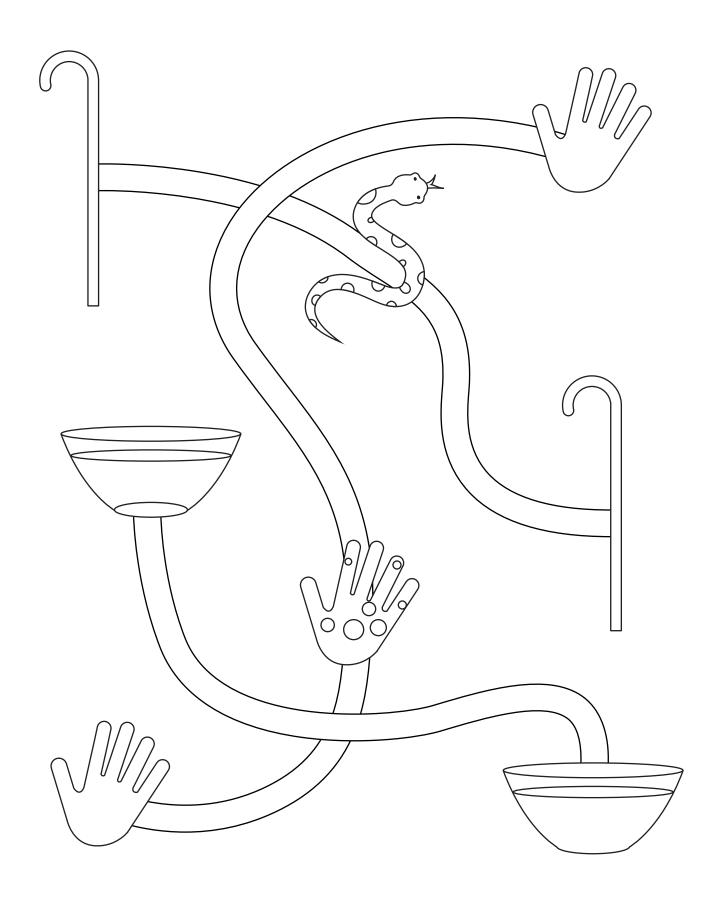
KIDS SAY, "HERE I AM."

- 2. "DO NOT COME ANY CLOSER. TAKE OFF YOUR SANDALS, FOR THE PLACE YOU ARE STANDING IS HOLY GROUND."
- 3. "I HAVE INDEED SEEN THE MISERY OF MY PEOPLE IN EGYPT... SO NOW, GO. I AM SENDING YOU TO PHARAOH TO BRING MY PEOPLE THE ISRAELITES OUT OF EGYPT."

KIDS SAY "WHO ME?"

- 4. "I WILL BE WITH YOU...I KNOW THAT THE KING OF EGYPT WILL NOT LET YOU GO UNLESS A MIGHTY HAND COMPELS HIM. SO I WILL STRETCH OUT MY HAND AND STRIKE THE EGYPTIANS WITH ALL THE WONDERS THAT I WILL PERFORM AMONG THEM. AFTER THAT, HE WILL LET YOU GO.
- 5. "AND I WILL MAKE THE EGYPTIANS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARD THIS PEOPLE, SO THAT WHEN YOU LEAVE YOU WILL NOT GO EMPTY—HANDED. EVERY WOMAN IS TO ASK HER NEIGHBOR AND ANY WOMAN LIVING IN HER HOUSE FOR ARTICLES OF SILVER AND GOLD... AND SO YOU WILL PLUNDER THE EGYPTIANS."

SIGNS FOR MOSES



GO TO EGYPT

Go to Egypt, go to Egypt, go to Egypt
And let my people go
Go to Egypt, go to Egypt, go to Egypt
And let my people go

If they ask who,
Tell them I AM sent you
If they ask why,
Then give them a sign

Knock, knock, hiss, hiss
Swish, swish, boo boo
Splish splash, sticky sticky

These signs for you

And watch the wonders that I'll do

AARON

WHEN: AFTER CHILDREN ARE FINISHED WITH THE LAST CRAFT

SAY: GOD TOLD ME TO MEET WITH YOU, THAT YOU NEED MY HELP. WHAT DID GOD TELL YOU TO DO?

SO I WILL STRETCH OUT MY HAND AND STRIKE THE EGYPTIANS WITH ALL THE WONDERS THAT I WILL PERFORM AMONG THEM.

EXODUS 3:20

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