

Lesson I.

THE CHILD MOSES SAVED FROM DEATH

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Exodus 1 : 22 to 2 : 10. Study Exodus 1 : 8-14, 22 to 2 : 10—*Memory Verses, 9, 10.

Golden Text—Whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.—Matthew 18 : 5.



22 And Phar'aoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.

Ch. 2 : 1 And there went a man of the house of Le'vi, and took to wife a daughter of Le'vi.

2 And the woman conceived, and bare a son : and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months.

3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein ; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink.

4 And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.

5 And the daughter of Phar'aoh came down to wash herself at the river ; and her maidens walked along by the river's side ; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.

6 And when she had opened it, she saw the child : and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the He'brews' children.

7 Then said his sister to Phar'aoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the He'brew women, that she may nurse the child for thee ?

8 And Phar'aoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.

9 And Phar'aoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.

10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Phar'aoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Mo'ses : and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jacob's descendants, or the children of Israel, as they came to be called, lived very happily in the land of Egypt until the time of a king called, Pharaoh like all the kings of Egypt, who had no thought or care for Joseph or his people. This Pharaoh made the children of Israel work very hard and treated them very cruelly, but still they became more numerous. Then Pharaoh thought of a still more cruel plan. He ordered that, whenever a baby boy was born in Israel, he should be thrown into the river.

But one poor mother managed to hide her baby so well that Pharaoh's men did not find him. When, however, the child grew to be three months old, she could hide him at home no longer, so she put him into a

basket woven of grasses and hid it among the tall bulrushes beside the river Nile ; and the baby's sister Miriam stood a little way off to keep watch over him.

Soon the daughter of Pharaoh, with her maidens, came down to the river to bathe, and seeing the basket, sent one of the maidens to fetch it ; and there, when she opened it, lay the beautiful baby boy. The princess knew of the king's cruel order and she did not want the baby killed, so when little Miriam drew near and asked her if she wanted a nurse for the child, she said, "Yes." Then Miriam immediately ran off and brought the baby's own mother. And the princess, not knowing who she was, asked her to keep the baby for her, so the mother

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