

Moses and the burning bush

Hello Mom and Dad

We hope you have caught the morning wonder of birds enthusiastically tweeting at the launch of each new day. Jesus encourages us with these words "Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are?" Matthew 6:26. You and each member of your household are greatly treasured by God. When we see ourselves the way He sees us, all fear will dissipate and we will live free to fulfil our purpose

This week we are looking at the life of Moses as he encountered God through a burning bush in the desert. His identity was confronted and he came to trust God as he obeyed the call to save God's special people. Each child is called to know God and have a secure identity in Christ that will propel them in their destiny to change the world.

Our lesson objectives for this week

- Know God loves us
- To see ourselves the way God sees us
- To believe that we can do great things for God on earth

As is fitting, we encourage you to start your time together in thanksgiving and praise. Be intentional to remember the faithfulness and goodness of God in this season. If you have the conveniences, use the selected songs to enter the presence of God through praise and worship. God is with you as you gather in His name.

We give thanks to the Lord for every individual who is growing in their identity in Christ and for families that change the world.

We are cheering you on!

With love,
3CKids Team



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What to prepare:

- Read Exodus 2:11-15, 16-25, 3:1-15, 19-20
- A pair of movie glasses (3/4D) or distorted glasses



Praise and Worship:

Copy these links and paste it into your browser to play the songs of the week:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=twFAZfU_x4 **(Send Your Rain)**
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Wxi-F9R7Io> **(First)**
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shzOEbCWWS0&t=21s> **(I will go)**

Memory verse:

Galations 3:28



**"There is no longer Jew or Gentile,
slave or free, male and female.
For you are all one in Christ
Jesus"**

Declaration for the week:

***I am who God says I am – I can do
what God says I can do!***



Craft

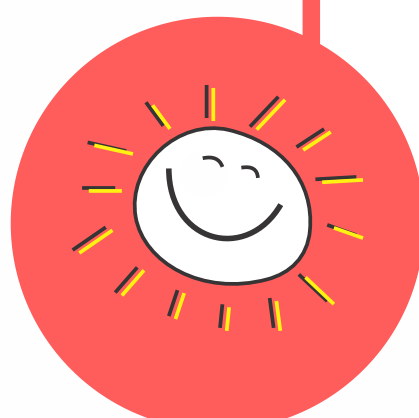
Items needed:

- Paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue
- Crepe paper or normal paper (red/orange/yellow)

Draw a bush with a pencil. Cut the crepe or coloured paper into flames of fire and paste on the bush.

Fitness Fun

Use a timer to complete each of the movements on the sheet within forty-five seconds. Your heart rate will shoot up and you will feel exhilarated.



Lesson Time

Opening Activity: 3D glasses or glasses with dark shading or distorted vision. Let each child take a turn at putting on a pair of the above glasses and describe best what and how they see

Say: Today we are going to learn about a man who had a strange experience with a burning bush and had to learn to see himself the way God sees him. His name is Moses. We will learn to see ourselves the way God sees us. When we believe what God says and how He sees us, we will change the world.

Pray with me: "Father God, thank You for this day. Thank You that I can learn who You are and who I am because of You. I am ready for Your Word. Thank You for Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen"

Repeat the declaration: I am who God says I am – I can do what God says I can do!

Lesson

Say: Today's lesson is about a man named Moses.

Ask: What have you heard or what do you remember about Moses in the Bible (allow answers)

Say: Moses was born as an Israelite boy but he was adopted by Pharaoh's daughter – so he actually grew up as an Egyptian prince. Ask for general knowledge: What is the name of the country that Egyptians live in or come from? (Egypt) Which continent is this country on? (Africa)

Say: When he was grown up, Moses made a bad decision that made him run away from the land of Egypt. He went to live in the desert and became a shepherd. One day while he was watching the sheep, he saw a bush that was on fire but did not burn up.

Ask: Has anyone ever seen a fire that does not burn the thing that is on it? Even meat burns when we put it on fire. This must have been a very strange thing to see.

Say: When Moses moved closer to see the bush, he heard a voice saying, "Remove your sandals. This place is holy. I am the Lord your God." Sometimes things happen in our lives to get us to hear God better so we can learn what He wants us to do.

Repeat the declaration: I am who God says I am – I can do what God says I can do!

Say: God set up a special meeting (the burning bush) to get Moses' attention and to tell him what He wanted him to do – to rescue God's special people. This was a very big mission that God had for Moses. God's special people were crying and tired of being slaves in Egypt and God wanted to save them because He had promised Abraham that He would.

Say: Moses thought too much about himself. He could not believe that he could do what God asked him to. He was completely worried about who he was and what people thought about him. He did not think anyone would listen to him either. That is the reason he felt he could not do what God had asked him to do - to save and rescue God's special people out of Egypt and take them to the land of promise.

Ask: Do you think God can ask you to do something that He will not help you do?

Say: God helped Moses and he had to believe that God chose him to save His special people. He was very nervous so God made sure that Aaron, Moses brother, went with him. Together Moses and Aaron helped to rescue God's special people from Pharaoh and to bring them out of the land of Egypt to go to the promised land.

Say: God is always kind to us, so He will do everything to help us believe in Him and to see ourselves the way He sees us. We have to believe that we are who God says we are and that we can do what God asks us to do. When we believe this, we can do big things for God, like saving other people from a life without God.



Application:

Say: Think of times where you have not fully believed who God says you are. Maybe you have doubted that God loves you. Maybe you did not think God can use you to do great things for Him. We are going to pray for God to help us.

Pray after me: *"Father God, thank You for loving me always. Please forgive me where I have not fully believed that You love me. Please forgive me where I did not think you want to use me to do great things for You. Thank You that Your blood removes the doubt and fills me with faith. I see myself as You see me, loved, preferred, chosen. In Jesus name, Amen."*

• Think of people you have been scared or shy to speak to about God's love. Pray for them and go tell them about God's love this week.

Repeat the declaration: I am who God says I am – I can do what God says I can do!

Declarations of the blood of Jesus

When we speak about what the blood of Jesus has done for us, we are changed to be just like Him so we can love all people the way He loves them. Let us declare the blood of Jesus has done for us.

- By the blood of Jesus, I have been redeemed from the power of the enemy.
- By the blood of Jesus, all my sins are forgiven.
- Because I spend time with other Christians, the blood of Jesus cleanses me from sin.
- By the blood of Jesus, I am justified, and God sees me as if I have never sinned.
- By the blood of Jesus, I am sanctified and set apart for God's holy purpose.

Devotion plans:

The devotions are aimed to help each child spend daily quiet time with the Lord through His word. If you have the means, assist each child to create a special place and help allocate a special time for their devotion. Younger children: we encourage you to spend a few minutes a day reading the scripture to your child and helping them say the declaration. Older children: help the children to read the daily scripture, reflect on what the Lord is saying to them and then write their own declaration for the day.

Repeat the declaration: I am who God says I am – I can do what God says I can do!

Activity sheet: The activities are added to aid with general knowledge and

- Activity – Crossword
- Activity – Match the animals (small kids)
- Activity – Connect the dots
- Activity – Word search

