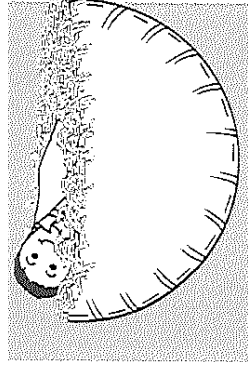


CREATE

Baby basket

You will need a paper plate, green tissue paper, a wooden clothespin/clothes peg, a fine-tipped marker, and a small piece of light-weight fabric, scissors, staple, hole punch, yarn.



Instructions

1. Ask a grownup to help you cut or tear the tissue paper to make grass.
2. Cut paper plate in half, hold rims together, staple together, and punch holes around the rim.
3. Decorate the basket and weave yarn through the holes, as if sewing the basket together.
4. Stuff the basket with green "grass."
5. Draw a face on the head of the clothes peg and wrap a piece of fabric around it.
6. Place the baby in the basket.

You might sing this song as you rock the baby.

Tune: "Rock-a-bye Baby"

Rock-a-bye, Moses,
 safe in their arms.
 They'll hug and rock you,
 keep you from harm.
 Mother and sister,
 princess helps, too.
 Rock-a-bye, Moses.
 How God loves you!

STORY TIME

Baby Moses

Based on Exodus 1:8—2:10

Long ago in Bible times, there was a baby named Moses. His family loved and cared for him.

Every day, Moses' sister, Miriam, played with baby Moses. Every day Moses' mother fed and rocked him to sleep.

But there was a mean king, called Pharaoh, who wanted to hurt baby Moses. God helped Moses' mother make a plan to keep her baby safe. She made a basket into a little boat. She wrapped the baby snug and warm. She put the baby in the basket and hid him in the reeds at the edge of the river.

Miriam, Moses' sister, stayed and watched the basket as it rocked gently in the water.

Suddenly, Miriam heard footsteps. The princess, the king's daughter, was coming to the river. The princess saw the little basket. The princess heard Moses cry. She opened the basket and saw baby Moses. She wanted to help take care of the baby.

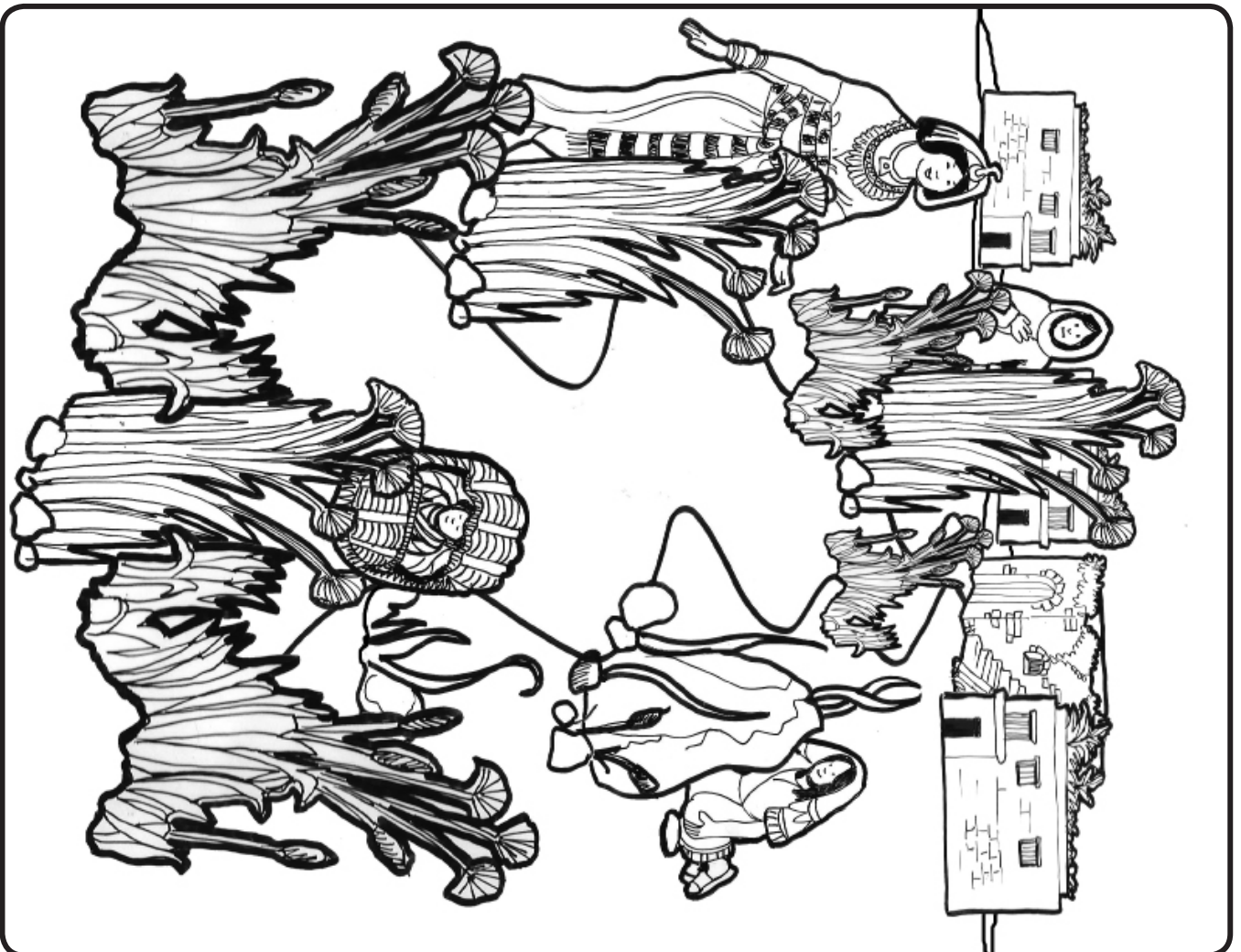
Miriam was very brave. She walked up to the princess and said, "I will get somebody to look after this baby for you. Just until he grows big enough to come and live with you." The princess thought that was a great idea.

So Miriam ran home. She came back with her own mother – the baby's mother. And the princess let Moses' mother take the baby home. Now baby Moses was safe. And when baby Moses grows big enough, he will go and live in the palace with the princess.



ACTIVITY

In the story about Moses in Exodus 1:8—2:10, some people kept Moses safe and hidden from the pharaoh. Look at the picture. Find the people hidden in the picture. Then with markers decorate it.



Older children Unscramble the names of the people who refused to harm Hebrew baby boys like Moses. Look up the verses and you will find their part of the Bible story.

the Hebrew... dsweivim _____
(Exodus 1:15)

his... issret _____
(Exodus 2:7)

the child's rtohme _____
(Exodus 2:8)

Pharaoh's hrutgead _____
(Exodus 2:10)

