

# KK - Together @ Home

## Big Idea – God Grows His People

👁️ Pharaoh tries to stop God's people from growing too numerous, but God protects them and raises up a rescuer for them.

We are going to see that God's promise to grow his people cannot be stopped. He is powerful to protect and has raised up a rescuer for us.

🙏 READY? Let's Pray!

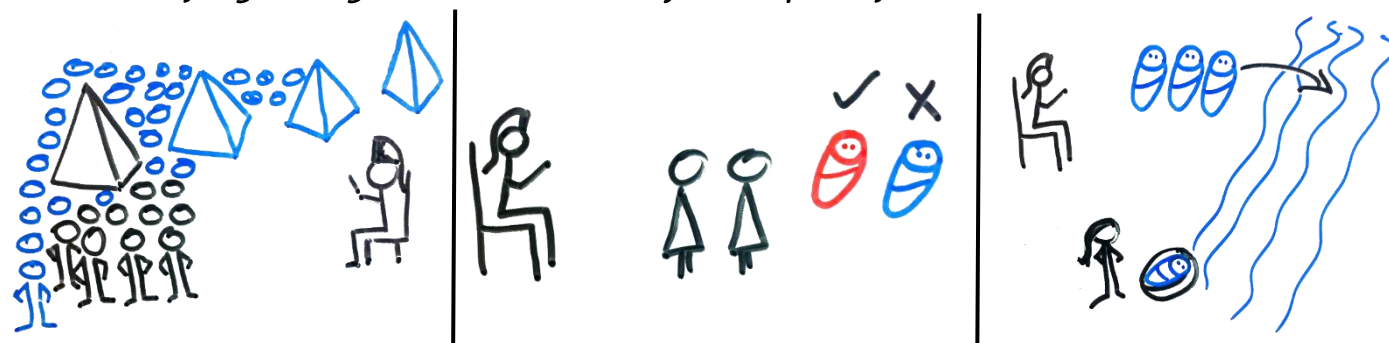
Dear God, help us to listen well as we learn about you today. AMEN

## Bible Story – Exodus 1:1 – 2:10

📖 We are starting a new Series of sessions today, looking at the book of Exodus and the story of Moses. If you have been working through Joseph then you will need to begin by bridging the previous session to thing one. The first 7 verses of our Bible Story today do the best job of that. Reading from a child-friendly version like the International Children Bible will also help.

Set the scene with 1:8-10. Explain that there are three strategies (plans) Pharaoh tried and three ways that God overcame Pharaoh's plans. Look at Exodus 1:11-12, 1:15-17 and 1:22 - 2:8, can they find the three strategies?

Get your children to sketch the three strategies that Pharaoh used to try and overcome the threat of a growing Israelite community. Examples of these are shown below.



Then sketch God's responses to each of the strategies of Pharaoh.

Put the various pictures in the correct order. Discuss the three strategies and how God countered each one.

If drawing is not your child's 'thing' then discussing each strategy and response in order can be just as helpful.

Once you have told the story, tell your children what this story teaches us about God. Use the **Big Idea** to help you with this. Try to keep this short and simple. **Who do they think the rescuer is, in this story?**





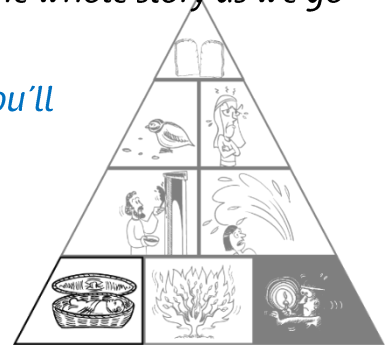
**Activity Time** – Choose any combination of *Game*, *Stretch* or *Song* that works for you. **Don't miss out on *Round Up* or *Prayer*!**

**Stretch...** This term each week we will be making an Overview Picture with a different part of the pyramid to decorate however you want. Can you remember the whole story as we go along? It'll get harder every week!

You will be adding one building block to the pyramid each week. **You'll find today's piece on page 3 of this session.** Ensure that the sheet of paper you use as a background is big enough for all the pieces.

The whole pyramid with today's piece shown in bold, is here →→

The first picture is Moses in his basket.



### **Game...**      **Building Challenge**

Divide into two groups, or two teams. Give a number of groups each the same number of building blocks. Tell them that their task is to see who can build the tallest tower. They only have one minute to do this. Repeat the same task three times. Take note of which team wins which of the tasks.

Tell the children that in today's true story from the Bible, the King of Egypt tried three times to win a battle against God.

### **Song...** *Every Step* – Nick & Becky Drake

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZBhKp5\\_HwE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZBhKp5_HwE)



### **Round Up** Think through some/all of the follow questions:

Can the children explain what 'battle' was going on in today's story?

God made some great promises to Abraham, but it's been a long time since Abraham's death. What are some of the reasons why people sometimes fail to keep promises they have made? How do we know, from today's story, that those reasons are not true of God?

What are the clues from today's story that God is not yet finished with his people in Exodus?

How is the promise that God made to grow his people true of the Church today?

How has your church grown this past year? If it has not grown much, does this mean that God is not keeping his promise?

Throughout history God has grown his people in various parts of the world despite opposition. You could watch Noah's Story: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CbQ1--hOPF8> as an example of this.



**Prayer:** Find out about a country in the world where the church is growing despite opposition and pray for that church in that situation.

