

## Tots Café & Jelly Tots at home 5

### Moses

Last month we read the story of Jochebed, a mother who went to great lengths because she loved her son. Today we're going to carry that on and see what happened to her son, Moses, when he grew up.

**Story** for younger children - see photos of 'The Burning Bush'

Story for older children - see photos of 'God calls Moses'

Over the next couple of weeks, we will follow the story of Moses and see what he gets up to. If you'd like the story all in one go, then this video provides a nice summary

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch...>

### Craft

Burning Bush - see photo.

You'll need: Colouring Pencils (to draw the bush), Tissue Paper (to stick on for the flames)

If you don't have tissue paper, what else could you find to stick on to make flames?

### Activities

3 fun activities and games - see photo.

This link has some great resources such as 'Picture Search' and 'Matching Pairs'

<https://truewaykids.com/burning-bush-bible-lesson/>

### Song

Take your pick of Nursery Rhymes

Something a little different, and something my son loves when I sing, is Moses Supposes.

Check out the song (and dancing!) here - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFAIZttXfvE>

Do share photos or videos of what you get up to as we'd love to see.

God bless.



## The Burning Bush

Exodus 3

When Moses was a man,  
he left the palace.  
Pharaoh was still being mean  
to the Israelites.  
Moses tried to protect them,  
so Pharaoh tried to kill Moses.

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Moses escaped from Egypt.  
He went to a place called Midian  
and became a shepherd.

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One day, while Moses was watching  
his sheep, he saw something strange.  
A bush was on fire, but it wasn't  
burning up. From inside the bush,  
God spoke. "Moses, bring my  
people out of Egypt. Take them  
to a new land that I will show you.  
This new land is called Canaan."

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Moses was worried that Pharaoh  
would not listen. God told Moses  
to throw his staff on the ground.  
When he did, the staff became a snake!  
God told Moses to reach down and grab  
the snake. It became a staff again!  
God said, "I will use signs like this  
to show Pharaoh that I have sent you."

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“But I cannot speak very well,”  
complained Moses.  
God said, “Do not worry.  
Your brother Aaron is a good speaker.  
I will send him with you.”

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So Moses returned with Aaron to Egypt.  
When they arrived, Moses told the  
Israelites what God had said.

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## God calls Moses

Although he grew up in a palace, Moses knew that his people suffered greatly at the hands of the Egyptians and it made him very angry. One day he saw an Egyptian guard hitting a slave. Moses was so angry, he killed the guard and then had to flee for his own life.

He escaped into the desert of Midian, where he became a shepherd for a holy man called Jethro. Before long, he married Jethro's daughter.

One day, Moses was leading Jethro's sheep in search of water in the desert, when he came to the holy mountain of Sinai. There, Moses noticed a bush that seemed to be on fire, yet it did not burn away. He went to take a closer look, and suddenly the voice of God spoke: “Moses, do not come any nearer. Take off your sandals, for this is holy ground. I am the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.”

Moses knelt and covered his face, he was so afraid.

“I have seen the suffering of my people and heard their prayers for help,” God said,

“and I want you to go back to Egypt to set them free. Tell them I sent you.”

“But what if they won't listen to me?” asked Moses.  
“What if they don't believe you have sent me?”

“Throw your staff on the ground,” said God. Moses did as God asked. Immediately the staff turned into a snake and Moses leaped back in fear. “Pick it up by the tail,” said God. Moses did so and it turned back into a staff. “With this,” said God, “you will convince them that the Lord God of their fathers has really sent you.”



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## The Burning Bush



## Games and Activities

### Remove your Shoes

Moses removed his shoes when he was on Holy Ground.

In this game children will race to take their shoes off and put them back on.

If you have more than one child you could have them place their shoes on one side of the room and race over, put them on and race back.

Make sure you use shoes your child can put on easily. Slip-ons or wellies work well.



### Fire watch



Since this weeks lesson is about a fire, if safe to do so when not make a small one with your child. Make sure to keep them out of the smoke and explain the dangers of fire to them,

No doubt they will be fascinated to see things burn. Explain again how amaze it was that the bush was on fire but did not burn away.

### Snake Catch

Place a rope or skipping rope onto the floor.

Holding one side, wiggle it around the ground. Ask your child to try and catch the other end with their hand.

Remind them of how when Moses picked up the snake it returned to a rod

