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Baby Moses

Scripture: Exodus 1:1-2:10

Theme: God protects those He has chosen for His purposes

Nursery (Ages 0-2)

Free curriculum for small and rural churches

Lesson Overview

"God's Love for You!" "God loves you so much, just like a mother loves her baby! When the lamb's blood was painted on doors, God saw the love and passed over them. You are safe and loved because God's love is always there!"
(Repeat: "God loves you! God loves you!")

Bible Story

"God's Big Love Story"

Long ago, God said to the people: "This is how we will remember You, every family will eat a lamb on the same night. We will tell our children, 'God saved us! He was kind to us!'"

One night, the people put blood on their doors. Then God saw the blood and passed over them like a big shield, "I love you! You're safe!"

The Egyptians saw the darkness, but God saved His people. "Look at the stars!" they shouted. The people cheered: "God saved us! He is good!"

God gave them a special meal. They ate with joy and remembered: "This is how we tell our kids, 'God loves you!'"

Why this matters: God's love is like a big hug. He saved His people so they could always know: "You're loved!" Praise God!

Key Verse

Exodus 2:2

Moses was a very special baby. His mother had to hide him. She put him in a basket. Then she hid the basket among the willows. This was a secret place where he could be safe. The people wanted Moses dead. But God protected Moses. Moses was safe because God was there. God's love is stronger than scary problems. God is ready to protect us always. God wants us to be safe. Why is this important? It shows God's big heart. We need to be careful sometimes. But we don't have to be alone. God is always with us. Application: If you feel scared or sad, think about God. He is your safe spot. God is hiding you in His heart. He will not let you go. Let's sing about God protecting us.

Activities

Activity 1:

Sing a simple song while acting out a lamb and shaking a lamb toy to show God's love.

1. Lay out paper lamb ears and ask: "God loves you like a lamb!"
2. Let toddlers glue yarn onto the ears as "God's big love."
3. Color the ears with crayons while saying: "He saved us, just like the lamb!"
4. Put lambs on tables to take home as a reminder.
5. "God's Love Lamb Song & Dance"
6. Sing "The Lamb came for us / God loves us so much!"
7. Hold up a toy lamb and say, "Just like the lamb was sacrificed, God loves you!"
8. Shake the lamb toy while clapping: "Shake like a lamb, God's love never fails!"
9. End with "God saved us like the lamb!" and hug a child.

Discussion Questions

- Here are four simple, open-ended questions for babies and toddlers about God's love and the story of Passover:
- "When we remember God's love, what does it feel like in our hearts? Tell me about a time you felt happy or safe because of God."
- (Encourages them to connect their feelings to God's love.)
- "The Passover Lamb was special because God loved us. What can we do to show God we love Him too?" (Open-ended, helps them think about simple ways to respond.)
- "God made a promise to protect us. What's one way we can trust God, just like the Israelites trusted Him?" (Builds trust and obedience.)
- "The lamb's blood saved the families. How can we be like the lamb today, trusting God and shining His light?" (Encourages them to see Jesus as their Savior.)

Prayer Focus

"Dear God, love us so much, just like a mother loves her baby. You are our Light, our Lamb, and our Love. Help us be safe and happy, just as You protected the Israelites. Thank You for being with us always." (Repeat: "God is love! God is our Lamb!")

>> Missions Spotlight

In many parts of North Africa and the Middle East, the concept of sacrificial lambs is deeply understood. Missionaries working among the Amazigh (Berber) people of Morocco use the Passover story as a bridge to explain Jesus as the Lamb of God.

-> To the Cross

The Passover lamb's blood on the doorposts saved the Israelites from death. Jesus is our Passover Lamb (1 Corinthians 5:7), His blood saves us from the death that our sin deserves. Every Passover pointed forward to the cross.