

At-Home Sunday School: Passover

October 11, 2020

At-Home Sunday School relates to the same story we hear in worship. Use whatever parts work for your family. Do it all at once or over the coming week. Questions or feedback? Talk to Pastor Betsy

Introduction

Last week's story was about Moses and the people being freed from slavery in Egypt after the 10th Plague known as Passover.

What happens then? The people cross the Red Sea and wander in the wilderness for a long period of time. Today's story is about Moses being on the mountain talking to God and the people get tired of waiting and take things into their own hands. They build a new god in the shape of a golden calf.

Story

This fall we are walking through the Old Testament and that would be a great time to read through the Spark Story Bible! You could start at the beginning with Creation or jump in with today's story.

Last week we read: Free from Slavery (p. 76) and The Plagues (p. 78).

Since last week:

The Red Sea p. 84
Manna, Quail, and Water p. 90
The Ten Commandments p. 94

Today's Story: A Message from God p. 100

In the Bible: Exodus 32:1-14

Video of story: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ogfVBP35U-U>

Discussion:

- How do you like about the story?
- What would it have been like to be one of the people wandering in the wilderness?
- What does it say about God that God parted the Red Sea for the people to escape, that God guided them as they travelled by a cloud by day and pillar of flame by night, and that God gave them food to eat in the wilderness

Create Your Own Story Bible

Don't forget to print and color the color page for this week! It is found on the PoP website. Then punch and add to your 3-ring binder to Create Your Own Story Bible.

Music – Here is a song to listen to. Think about how does it relate to today's story?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vDzu9x9Aqw4>

Memory Game

What you'll need: _A bunch of random items (see the explanation below to decide what kind of items you'll want)

"Even though the Israelites had seen amazing miracles from God, they still forgot that God is powerful and can be trusted when they got scared. Remembering God's goodness in the past is a big part of trusting in God when things get hard. To help us remember how important it is to remember these things, we are going to play a memory game."

Set out your items and then have the kids study it all for a moment. Then, have them close their eyes while you remove one of the objects. When they open their eyes, they have to try to remember the original scene as they try to guess what you removed. Reset it as often as you want.

Activity

In the Golden Calf Story (Exodus 32:1-14), the people build something to replace God. They should not have done that! Build a tower with blocks or playdough or something else you have and then knock it down. Do this as many times as you'd like to!

Highs and Lows – share highs and lows with your family

Prayer

Dear God,
You do amazing things!
But we sometimes forget.
You are always with us!
But we sometimes forget.
You set us free.
But we sometimes forget.
Help us remember
that you are our God.
Amen."