

Let God's People GO!



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Would you like to take a trip this Lent? We won't be traveling by boat or plane, and we don't need a passport or a suitcase filled with clothes. But our expedition will be an adventurous one nonetheless: filled with faithful heroes, daring rescue and miraculous victory. We'll be heading out with God's people, the Israelites, as they make the thrilling escape out of Egypt.

Through God's chosen helper, Moses, God saved the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and led them to freedom. On our Lenten journey, we'll discover an even greater salvation plan. Through the saving grace of God's Son, Jesus, God's people (that means you and me) are led from slavery to sin and death into freedom and life everlasting.

Use your cutout centerpiece as a map this Lent, marking your progress each day with the stickers in this "guidebook" as we travel to freedom. Are you ready for the journey? Let God's People GO!

1. Ash Wednesday

Exodus 15:2

Dear Lord, I am traveling with Moses and the Israelites this Lent to learn about your love and saving power. Be with me as I set out on this journey and lead me ever closer to you. In my Savior's name I pray.

Cut out and assemble your "Let God's People Go" centerpiece.

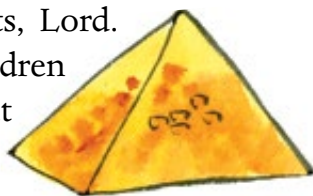
2. Thursday

Genesis 46:1-4

I like to know where this journey starts, Lord.

You sent your chosen people, the children of Israel, to live in the land of Egypt. But right from the beginning, you promised to bring them back home again. Thank you for being faithful to all your promises.

And thank you for promising me a home in heaven with you.



3. Friday

Exodus 1:1-7



Your people have grown into a great nation, God, just as you promised they would. Help me share your love so your family keeps growing.

4. Saturday

Exodus 1:8-12

Oh, no! The Israelites are in trouble: in slavery to those who don't know your love. Be faithful to your promise, God. Let your people GO!



5. Monday, Week 1

Exodus 1:13



I've never made a brick, but I imagine it's dirty work—being stuck up to one's knees in the mud. You know about that kind of dirty work, don't you, God? You got down on your knees and formed Adam out of the muddy earth. By going through with that messy work, you show me how much you care about me. I hope the Israelites can sense your care, too, Lord, even while they are stuck in the mud.

6. Tuesday

Exodus 1:14

I am worried about the Israelites, God. The Egyptians are making their lives bitter by forcing them to work in the fields and by treating them harshly. Your people need help, Lord. They are trapped with nowhere else to turn. I pray that you have a plan to set them ... to set me ... free.



7. Wednesday

Exodus 1:15-17; 2:1-2



This is serious! The king of Egypt is out to destroy the Israelites! But you have a plan, don't you, God? You have a promise to keep. And the birth of a baby will get that plan rolling. This child reminds me of your Son, Jesus, whose birth was the start of your plan to save me from sin that would destroy me. Thank you for taking this so seriously, God.

8. Thursday

Exodus 2:1-4



There was nothing else the baby's mother could do. She had tried to hide the child to keep it safe, but that wouldn't work any more. Now she places her baby's basket in the river ... and she puts her trust, and her baby's life, in your hands. Lord, please watch over that child. Bring him through the water to safety.

9. Friday

Exodus 2:5-10

Surprise! Someone is lifting the little baby up, God! And look who it is: Pharaoh's daughter. She knows what Pharaoh said about the Israelite babies, but her heart was filled with compassion for the child. She will raise him as her own son. The baby is saved! You did that, didn't you, God? What a great surprise! I'm happy that you saved this little child ... because I am your little child, too!



10. Saturday

Exodus 2:7-10

Moses' sister, Miriam, really loved him. You really love him, too! Miriam watched Moses closely while he was in the river. You were watching, too! She made sure that Moses was safe and cared for. You made sure of that, too! Dear God, thank you for showing me your love through my loving family.



11. Monday, Week 2

Exodus 1:8-10

Here is Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. He sits on a royal throne and puts God's people to work. He treats them unfairly. He uses his power to hurt them and make them suffer. But Pharaoh's reign won't last. There is only one king who rules forever, and that's you, Lord. Give me patience when others treat me unfairly, and help me to always follow your loving commands.



12. Tuesday

Exodus 2:10-11



Pharaoh's daughter raised Moses as her son. He grew up as the grandson of the king! Here he is in his royal clothing. Life in the palace is nice for Moses, but he mustn't forget that God's people—his people—are outside and suffering.

13. Wednesday

Exodus 2:15-22

Moses has left the palace, Lord! When he saw the suffering of your people, he ran away to hide! He took off his royal robes and put on the clothes of a shepherd. But Moses can't hide from you. You watch over him, whether he's hidden in a basket or hiding with the sheep. What Moses does not see is that you are preparing him, Lord, to let God's people GO!



14. Thursday

Exodus 2:23–3:1



According to your plan, God, Moses took off his royal clothes and became a shepherd, ready to lead your flock to freedom. And when I was a lost sheep, your Son, Jesus, put aside his heavenly throne to become my shepherd. By your grace, help me follow each day ... to freedom and life everlasting.

15. Friday

Exodus 3:1-4

The sight of that bush must have been amazing—so amazing that Moses was drawn right into its light. But there was something even more thrilling than the sight of the burning bush—your WORD! “Moses, Moses,” you called. And Moses answered, “Here I am!” Open my ears to hear your word, Lord. And help me to answer quickly and faithfully.



16. Saturday

Exodus 3:5-10



Who is speaking from the burning bush? The answer knocked Moses’ socks off. “I AM,” you said. “I am the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. I am keeping the promise I made to my people. I am listening to the prayers of my children. I am sending you to bring them out of Egypt!” Strap on those sandals, Moses. It’s GO time!

41. Easter Sunday

Read Luke 24

Jesus Christ is risen today!
He has washed my sin away.
As God opened up the sea,
Jesus opens heaven for me!
Sing his praise so all may know,
Jesus lets God's
people GO!

