

E X O D U S

"Joseph and all his brothers died. So did all their children. The people of Israel had many children. The number of them greatly increased. There were so many of them that they filled the land. Then a new king came to power in Egypt. Joseph didn't mean anything to him. "Look," he said to his people. "The Israelites are far too many for us. Come. We must deal with them carefully. If we don't, there will be even more of them. Then if war breaks out, they'll join our enemies. They'll fight against us and leave the country." So the Egyptians put slave drivers over the people of Israel. The slave drivers treated them badly and made them work hard."

Exodus 1:6-11 NIRV

"Then Pharaoh gave an order to all his people. He said, "You must throw every Hebrew baby boy into the Nile River. But let every Hebrew baby girl live."

Exodus 1:22 NIRV

"A man and a woman from the tribe of Levi got married.

She became pregnant and had a son by her husband. She saw that her baby was a fine child. And she hid him for three months. After that, she couldn't hide him any longer. So she got a basket made out of the stems of tall grass. She coated the basket with tar. She placed the child in the basket. Then she put it in the tall grass that grew along the bank of the Nile River. The child's sister wasn't very far away. She wanted to see what would happen to him."

Exodus 2:1-4 NIRV

Questions:



1. Which of the promises that God made to Abraham are being fulfilled at the beginning of the book of Exodus?
2. The new Pharoah says that all the Hebrew baby boys must be thrown into the Nile River. Do you think God will still help them?
3. Who do you think is the baby who is placed into the basket?

