



Exodus 2:3 (NIV) But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket[a] for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile.”

Last week, our story was about Joseph, who showed forgiveness to his brothers and helped his whole family move to Egypt, where there was food and land for them.

One of Joseph’s brothers was named Levi. Today our story is about Levi’s daughter, whose name is Jochebed, and her son, Moses.

Jochebed’s leadership leaf is CREATIVITY.

You will see that Moses’ mother creates a famous basket, and she also creates a way to solve a big problem. The big problem is that Egypt has changed. A new Pharaoh has forgotten how Joseph helped Egypt. He has made the whole family of Israel, the Hebrews, into slaves. He even plans to kill every boy baby they have.

But Jochebed makes a plan to save her baby boy. First, she keeps him hidden until he is three months old. Then she makes a waterproof basket for her baby. She puts him into the basket and sets it in the tall grass at the edge of the Nile River. She leaves the baby’s older sister Miriam to watch what happens.

Jochebed knows that the Pharaoh’s daughter comes to bathe at that place. Pharaoh’s daughter does come. She finds the basket and opens it. Inside, she finds a crying baby! The Pharaoh’s daughter knows it is a Hebrew baby boy, but she decides to adopt him and to name him Moses.

Miriam pretends she doesn’t know the baby. She offers to find a Hebrew nurse to help Pharaoh’s daughter take care of Moses. Can you guess who became the baby’s nurse? Jochebed herself! So now Moses is protected by the Pharaoh’s daughter, safe, with his own mother to care for him.

And when Moses grows up, he becomes an important part of God’s plan. Jochebed’s son will be the one to lead the people of Israel out of slavery and away from Egypt.

God Protected Baby Moses Secret Code

Each number stands for a letter of the alphabet. Write the correct letter in the blank to find the coded words and phrase.



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18 9 22 5 18

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8 5 2 18 5 23

Code key

A 1	J 10	S 19
B 2	K 11	T 20
C 3	L 12	U 21
D 4	M 13	V 22
E 5	N 14	W 23
F 6	O 15	X 24
G 7	P 16	Y 25
H 8	Q 17	Z 26
I 9	R 18	

What does God have for you?

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