

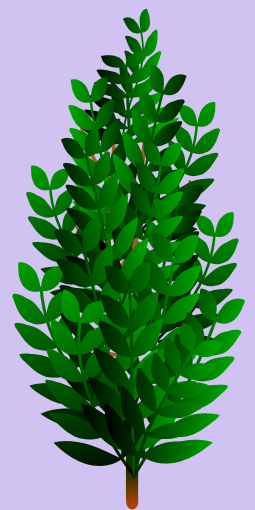
KIDS ACTIVITIES

Sunday 30th August 2020

Moses and the Burning Bush

READ

One day Moses was taking care of Jethro's sheep. Jethro was the priest of Midian and also Moses' father-in-law. Moses led the sheep to the west side of the desert. He came to Sinai, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in flames of fire coming out of a bush. Moses saw that the bush was on fire, but it was not burning up. So Moses said, "I will go closer to this strange thing. How can a bush continue burning without burning up?" The Lord saw Moses was coming to look at the bush. So God called to him from the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." Then God said, "Do not come any closer. Take off your sandals. You are standing on holy ground. I am the God of your ancestors. I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." Moses covered his face because he was afraid to look at God. The Lord said, "I have seen the troubles my people have suffered in Egypt. And I have heard their cries when the Egyptian slave masters hurt them. I am concerned about their pain. I have come down to save them from the Egyptians. I will bring them out of that land. I will lead them to a good land with lots of room. This is a land where much food grows. This is the land of these people: the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. I have heard the cries of the people of Israel. I have seen the way the Egyptians have made life hard for them. So now I am sending you to the king of Egypt. Go! Bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt!" But Moses said to God, "I am not a great man! Why should I be the one to go to the king and lead the Israelites out of Egypt?" God said, "I will be with you. This will be the proof that I am sending you: You will lead the people out of Egypt. Then all of you will worship me on this mountain." Moses said to God, "When I go to the Israelites, I will say to them, 'The God of your ancestors sent me to you.' What if the people say, 'What is his name?' What should I tell them?" Then God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. When you go to the people of Israel, tell them, 'I AM sent me to you.'"



Exodus 3:1-15



THINK

- What do you think God looks like? People have a lot of ideas about this... what do you imagine?
- Some people think of God as a really old man or sometimes people say God lives on a big cloud
- Some people describe Him as a roaring lion or some other kind of animal...and a lot of times, in the Bible and in our lives, God is seen as a fire.

Moses knew that God was mighty and powerful. Then God gave Moses some instructions that included some scary elements telling him how to lead the people out of slavery and into the promised land. Moses was nervous, but God told him he would be with the people. God is powerful and mighty, but He also loves each of us and wants to know us. We might not always see Him with our eyes but we can be confident He is with us.

And you know what else? God gave us another way of knowing who He is and what He looks like. Do you know what that is?? Jesus! God loved us and wanted us to know Him so much that He became one of us. He came and lived with people and was present in Christ. He even gave up His life to be able to allow us into God's presence forever. Isn't that great news?

Pray

Dear God,
Thank you for your Word the Bible
And for showing us who you are
Help us to love and serve you and one another
Thank you for your love
In His name, Amen!



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"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." Exodus 3:5 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Exodus 3:1-15



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