

# A God Who Sees

## Exodus 2:11-25

**The Big Idea:** When we're in trouble, God takes care of us.

**Read the passage**

**Story Summary for Children:**

As Moses grew up, he realized that he was not an Egyptian even though he had grown up with Egyptian parents. He was actually like the people who were slaves. One day Moses saw an Egyptian slave driver being very mean to some slaves and Moses felt bad for the slaves. He wanted to make the situation right and defend the slaves. He saw that no one was looking and attacked and killed the slave driver. Moses hid the body so that no one would find out what he had done, but news got out that he had committed murder. Eventually, Pharaoh found out and tried to kill Moses because of what he had done so Moses ran away. He ended up in a land called Midian. There, he rescued the daughters of a priest from some bullies. Later, he married one of them, had a son, and became a shepherd. Meanwhile, God decided it was time to keep his promise to the children of Abraham.

**Family Story Discussion Questions:**

1. With whom did Moses identify in this story? (the Israelites)
2. What did Moses do that got him in trouble with Pharaoh? (He killed an Egyptian slave driver)
3. Why did he kill the Egyptian? (*Because he was mistreating the slaves*)
4. Where did Moses go? (Midian)
5. What happened to Moses in Midian? (He got married and became a shepherd)

**Family Lesson Discussion Questions:**

1. Was the Egyptian slave driver doing something bad?
2. Do you think we should try to help people who are being treated badly?
3. Did Moses do the right thing? (no, he took things into his own hands and broke the law. This made things bad for Moses and the Israelites)
4. What do you think Moses should have done?
5. How did God take care of Moses after Moses ran away?
6. After Moses left Egypt, the people were still in trouble. But what happens at the end of the story to suggest things are about to get better for the Israelites?
7. Did you try to help someone in trouble recently? How did it go?
8. What is the first thing we should do when we are in trouble? What should we do first when we want to help someone else in trouble? (pray and ask God how He wants us to help)

**Memory Verse:** *“(God) looked down on the people of Israel and knew it was time to act.”*

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**Parents:** Talk with your children about a time when they were in need. What did they do?

Discuss with your kids specific responses they may have brought up about seeing someone in trouble or in need. Emphasize the idea that “two wrongs don’t make a right.”

**Parents:** Does anyone in your family need help right now? What should they do?

Is there someone in need that you and your family can help, right now (perhaps in your own home church)? Pray with your family that God will show you someone that you can help and that he will make it clear how you can help the person. Then help the person together.

**Family Activity:** Help someone in trouble or in need.

**A Look Ahead:** Next week the passage is Exodus 3:1-4:17 and the Big Idea will be, “God wants us to rescue those in trouble.” Ask your family, “How does God help people in trouble?” You may also want to read next week’s passage with your child and start explaining the story.