

# Moses

An Israelite mother had a baby boy and did not want her son to be thrown into the river to drown. To protect the baby, she made a basket made from river plants, placed him inside and let it float downriver. She prayed for the basket to reach a safe place. Fortunately, the basket was trapped among the reeds, where the pharaoh's daughter found it. She decided to keep the baby and raise him as if he were her own. She named him Moses, which meant "saved from the water."





# Departure from Egypt

Since the pharaoh did not want to free the Israelites, God punished the Egyptian people with the plague. The pharaoh was very afraid and finally let the Israelites go. Moses led his people toward the promised land, or Land of Canaan. This departure from Egypt is called the Exodus.





## The trumpets of Jericho



After many years, Moses died and God chose a young man named Joshua as the new leader of Israel. His mission was to lead his people to Canaan (the Promised Land). The first town they came to was Jericho, a city surrounded by very tall walls, so they could not get in. God told Joshua to walk around the city blowing the trumpets and they did so for six whole days. On the seventh day, when they blew the trumpets and started shouting, all of a sudden the walls fell down and they could go inside the city.