



## GOOD NEWS CLUB AGENDA

### MOSES #12 – “God’s Plan for a New Leader”

WEEK OF: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIN TRUTH: God wants you to talk to Him in prayer

TO DO AS THE CHILDREN ARRIVE:

1. Greet the children; make them feel welcome.
2. Take attendance.
3. Listen to previous week’s memory verse.
4. Have children put money in missions bank.

PRE-SESSION ACTIVITY:

1. OLDER CHILD: “Why Be Thankful?”
2. YOUNGER CHILD: MOSES #12 Activity Sheet

SONG: (2 minutes) \_\_\_\_\_

PRAYER: (4 minutes)

1. Prayer song: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Ask the children to share any “Thank You Prayers” or “Please Prayers” they have.
3. Lead the class in “Thank You” and “Please Prayers.”

MEMORY VERSE: (8 minutes)

**1 Corinthians 15:57** – ***“But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*** (The underlined portion of the verse indicates what the younger children should memorize. See “**Involvement Helps for Younger Children**” for helps in teaching the verse to the younger children.)

**“Choose a Time of Day”** – After you have read this verse from the Bible, explained what it means, and repeated it at least two times, you may begin this drill. Name a time of day (i.e., when making your bed, in class at school, on the playground during recess, watching TV in the evening, etc.) when you need God’s help to say “no” to sin. Recite the verse again and choose a different time of day to talk about.

HYMN FOR MOSES #7-#12: (2 minutes) \_\_\_\_\_

BIBLE LESSON: (20 minutes)

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(See “**Involvement Helps for Younger Children**” for ways to involve the children in the Bible lesson.)

COUNSEL TIME: (If you have a helper, hostess, or Teacher Junior Grade, let them do the review time while you counsel those who responded to the invitation. Otherwise, at the end of club, be sure to remind the children who responded to the invitation to stay after club for a few minutes.)

QUIET TIME NOTEBOOK: (1 minute) Briefly highlight what was learned from last week’s Quiet Time. Ask the children to do one per day.



# Why Be Thankful?

Being thankful is one of God's values, but WHY are we to give thanks? We give thanks because God wants us to be glad about what He does in our lives and for the love He gives to us. God wants us to show our thanks to other people who help us.

 **Match the first part of the sentence on the left by drawing a line to its partner on the right and you will learn some of the reasons WHY we are to be thankful!**

- |   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| 1. We thank other people because it shows | happy for what they have done.  |
| 2. We thank other people when we are      | good manners.                   |
| 3. We thank God because the Bible         | is pleased when we thank Him.   |
| 4. We thank God because we are glad for   | tells us to give thanks to Him. |
| 5. We thank God because He                | all God's love and help.        |

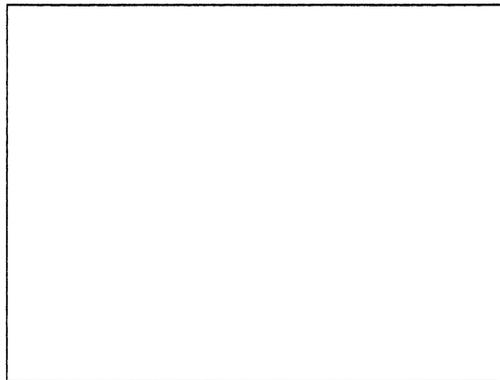
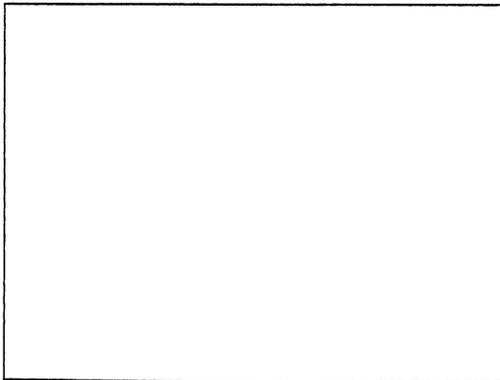
 **In the first box draw a picture of yourself thanking someone else. In the second box draw a picture of yourself thanking God.**

SHOULD I SAY  
THANK YOU IF I  
DON'T MEAN IT?



NO, BECAUSE IT  
WOULD NOT BE A  
THANK YOU FROM  
THE HEART!

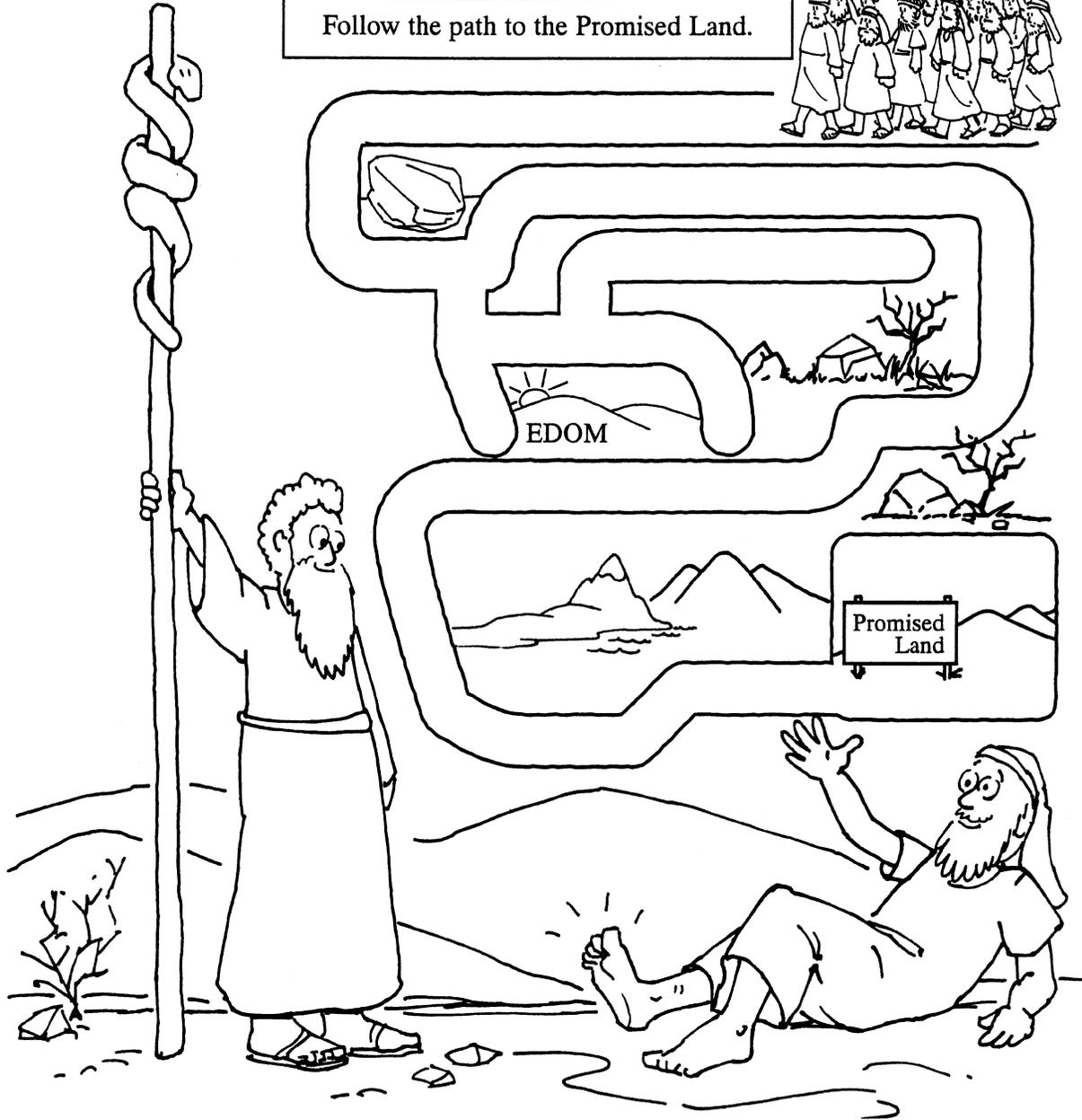
WELL,  
WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO BE  
TOLD THANK  
YOU IF IT  
WASN'T  
TRUE?



PRE-SESSION, Younger Child – MOSES #12

**O**n the way to the Promised Land, the people had to travel around Edom.

Follow the path to the Promised Land.



**“But thanks be to God . . . .”**  
**1 Corinthians 15:57**

## Moses #12

### “God’s Plan for a New Leader”

#### 1 Corinthians 15:57

**“But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”**

*(The underlined portion of the verse indicates what the younger children should memorize.)*

#### INTRODUCE THE VERSE:

What are some things that we should thank God for? *(Allow responses and discussion)*. The biggest thing that we should thank God for is sending Jesus to take the punishment for your sins and mine. That’s what our verse is about today.

#### READ THE VERSE:

Read the verse together from the visualized verse. Then read the verse directly from the Bible.

#### EXPLAIN THE VERSE:

**1 Corinthians 15:57** - *(Hands as an open Bible.)*

This is the address (where the verse is located in the Bible). This verse is found in the book of 1 Corinthians, chapter 15, verses 57.

**“But thanks be to God,”** - *(Fold hands together as praying and look up. Point up toward Heaven.)*

It’s good to say, “thank you” when someone does something nice for you. We should thank God because He has done something wonderful for us. This next part tells us what He did.

**“who giveth us the victory”** - *(Point to yourself. Make fists and lift arms in air, in victory.)*

Each of us are in a battle against sin. Satan, God’s enemy, is always trying to get us to sin and disobey God. This verse says that God gives us power to say “no” to sin; He will help us to win over sin. How?

**“through our Lord Jesus Christ.”** - *(Put fingers together to make cross.)*

God sent Jesus, His only Son, to die on the cross for our sins. If you know Jesus as your Saviour, you can have victory over sin. You don’t have to sin anymore. He will help you do what’s right.

*(Saved)* Remember, if you know Jesus as your Saviour, God the Holy Spirit will help you say “no” to sin. If there is a sin that you are struggling to stop doing, pray to God and ask Him to help you win over that sin!

*(Unsaved)* Jesus died for your sin and mine. He wants to redeem you from (buy you back from; pay for) the punishment for your sins, which is separation from God forever. If you have never asked Jesus to be your Saviour from sin, you can pray to Him whenever you are ready. If you have questions or are confused about asking Jesus to be your Saviour, ask a leader today before you leave!

#### REPEAT THE VERSE:

**“Choose a Time of Day”** – After you have read this verse from the Bible, explained what it means, and repeated it at least two times, you may begin this drill. Name a time of day (i.e., when making your bed, in class at school, on the playground during recess, watching TV in the evening, etc.) when you need God’s help to say “no” to sin. Recite the verse again and choose a different time of day to talk about.



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# INVOLVEMENT HELPS FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN

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## MOSES #12 – “God’s Plan for a New Leader”

**MEMORY VERSE:** Shortened verse

**1 Corinthians 15:57 – “But thanks be to God . . . .”**

**1 Corinthians 15:57** – Hold hands as an open Bible.  
**“But thanks”** – Fold hands together as praying and look up.  
**“be to God . . . .”** – Point up toward Heaven.  
**1 Corinthians 15:57** – Hold hands as an open Bible.

### BIBLE LESSON HELPS:

- Scene 1 – Walk slowly in place. Hang head like you are tired and discouraged.
- Scene 2 – As Israelites, cry together, one phrase at a time, angrily, “*No bread! No water! We hate this manna!*”  
– Move hand as a snake crawling. Make hissing sound.
- Scene 3 – As Israelites, plead with Moses, “*Please, ask God to take the snakes away!*”
- Scene 4 – As Moses, pretend to shape snake out of brass. Hang snake on pole.
- Scene 5 – Ask, “*What would you do if a snakebite on your body suddenly disappeared?*”
- Scene 6 – Put hand on neighbor’s shoulder and say to them, “*Be strong and of good courage!*”  
– Say together boldly, “*Do not be afraid!*”  
– Sing to tune “God Is So Good” the following words, “*I thank the Lord, I thank the Lord, I thank the Lord, He’s so good to me.*”
- Scene 7 – As Moses, put hand above eyes and look out over the land.

### BIBLE LEARNING GAME: “Say ‘Thank You’”

Have children sit in a circle. Pass around a beanbag while singing to tune “Did You Ever See A Lassie?”:

*“Oh God wants you to thank Him, to thank Him, to thank Him.  
Oh God wants you to thank Him for all that He’s done.”*

Child holding beanbag at end of song names something he can thank God for doing for him. Verbalize that by saying, “*Thank You, God, for (fill in child’s answer) ,*” etc. Continue as before.

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# GO AND TELL BOX

## Week #17 – What Do the Snavelys Do?

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*(Suggested item to put in the “Go and Tell” Box – DVD.)*

What do you think a DVD has to do with *going and telling*?  
*(Let the children share their ideas.)*

It reminds me of one way Mr. Mike tells others about our creator God, the Lord Jesus.



**WHAT DO THE SNAVELYS DO?** *(Show their show picture. Use WHAT wordstrip.)*

We have learned in Good News Club/Released Time Class that missionaries have many responsibilities. Sometimes their responsibilities depend upon where they serve the Lord as missionaries and what ways they use in reaching people with the message of God's Word.

**TEACH TEACHERS** – *(Use TEACH TEACHERS wordstrip.)* Mr. Mike travels and teaches creation seminars (large classes) in churches. These seminars are attended by many different people: Christian school teachers, Sunday School teachers, children's worship teachers, and Wednesday night Bible club teachers. These people who teach children get many ideas to help them talk about how God created the world in their classes.

**TEACH CHILDREN** – *(Use TEACH CHILDREN wordstrip.)* Sometimes, Mr. Mike is invited into schools to present special classes on creation and evolution. Mr. Mike also does special programs for children and their parents in churches. Mr. Mike enjoys teaching children.

**PREPARE VISUALS** – *(Use PREPARE VISUALS wordstrip.)* Mr. Mike has written and produced DVDs that can be used in schools and homes by teachers and parents who are interested in learning more about God's wonderful world of creation. There is a video that explains the "Flood of Noah." Mr. Mike also did a series for children to watch and learn more about God the Creator.

### LET'S PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

**THANK** God that DVDs are available to help teachers, parents and children understand the Bible's teaching of creation.

**PRAY** that the DVDs will be used to help children and grownups understand the truth of Biblical creation.

**God wants  
you to talk  
to Him in  
prayer**



- "God will go before you & will be with you; He will not fail you or leave you; Don't be afraid"
- Then Moses reminded the people to obey God one last time; Then God told him, "Go up Mt. Nebo"

### FLASHCARD 6-2

- When he reached the top, God showed Moses the whole land He promised to give Israelites
- Then God said, "This is the land I promised many years ago; I am letting you see it"
- Then, right there on that mountain, Moses died; Bible says God Himself buried Moses; No one knows where
- Bible says there was not another leader like Moses who God used to do so many miracles; Who knew God face to face; Who had that special friendship with God like Moses did
- But if you know Jesus as Savior, you can have a special friendship with God too

### CHALLENGE

**G** – Go over MT  
**MT, PAS** – GOD WANTS YOU TO TALK TO HIM IN PRAYER

**R** – Review PAS verse

1 Thessalonians 5:17 – **"Pray without ceasing** (Pray to God all the time.)."

**O** – Overview PAS examples

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

**W** – Will you do it?

- But if you don't know Jesus as Savior, you still deserve punishment for sin; But...

**G**

- Because of His love, made one way to save you from punishment so can have wonderful relationship with Him

### INVITATION

**John 3:16** – **"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."**

**S**  
**P, E**  
**L**

**BOW HEADS RESPONSE**

### Moses #12

**Flashcard** – (©2015)  
**Numbers 21:4-9; 27:12-23**  
**Deut. 31:1-13; 32:48-52; 34**

- Have you ever had a best friend? Someone who you always spend time with? Someone you could talk to about anything?
- It's really special to have a friend like that
- Did you know God, the Creator of the universe, wants to have that special kind of friendship with you? How amazing is that!
- We're going to learn about this in our true story from Bible today

### FLASHCARD 5-1

- Israelites were still wandering in wilderness; Was not an easy way to live; And Bible says they became impatient & started to complain again

### FLASHCARD 5-2

- "Why have you brought us out of Egypt? There's no food or water; And we hate this manna!" (The bread God had given them every morning to eat)
- Instead of being thankful for how God had taken care of them, were angry & complained; That was a sin

- Have you ever complained instead of being thankful? That's sin too

**S, PAU**

**Isaiah 53:6** – **"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way...."**

- 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.
- The people sinned by complaining against God
  - So God sent poisonous snakes....

### FLASHCARD 5-3

- The snakes bit the people & the people started to die from the bites
- The people knew this was because of their sin
- So they begged Moses, "We have sinned & spoken against the LORD & against you; Pray He take these serpents away!"
- They knew Moses had close friendship with God; He talked to God about everything
- At this time, not every person could go directly to God because Jesus hadn't died for our sins yet

- But now, since Jesus came & died for us, if you know Jesus as your Savior, you can go directly to God yourself!

- You don't need your parent or your Sunday School teacher to do that; You can talk to God!

- God wants you to spend time each day talking to Him

### **MT – GOD WANTS YOU TO TALK TO HIM IN PRAYER**

- At this time, not all of the people could talk to God, but Moses could...

- So Moses prayed & asked God to take away the snakes

### **FLASHCARD 5-4**

- God listened to Moses & made one way the people could be saved from this punishment

- God said to Moses, "Make a snake & set it up on a pole for everyone to see..."

- "If someone is bitten, let them look up at that snake on the pole, & they will live"

- Moses obeyed; Took some metal & made it into the shape of a snake; Set it on tall pole; So whoever was bitten could look at the snake & be healed

### **FLASHCARD 5-5**

- This makes us think about Jesus

**O**

- And the snake on the pole makes us think about Jesus & what He did to save sinners like you & me from the punishment we deserve for our sin

- Because even though the people deserved this punishment...

- God said if the people looked at the snake, believing God's promise to heal them, they would be healed

- This was a picture of Jesus because even though you & I deserve the punishment for our sin, if you look to Jesus, believing God's promise of forgiveness, you will have your sins forgiven

**P, E**

**John 3:14** – (Many years after Moses lived, Jesus said these words.) **"...As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so...the Son of man (Jesus) be lifted up** (nailed to a cross & die for sinners like you & me)."

- Anyone who was bitten by a snake & looked to the snake on

the pole was healed; But anyone who would not believe what God said & did not look at that snake, died

- How sad that God made a way for the people to be saved from the punishment of their sin; But some refused

- Same is true today...

- After this trouble ended, the people could move on to where they would travel next...

- ...Until it was finally time to go into the land God had promised! And this time, they would go in & take it!

### **FLASHCARD 5-6**

- But Moses would not be with them; Because disobeyed God in front of the people (hitting rock instead of speaking to it)

- As came near the land, God told Moses it was soon time for him to die

- Then Moses begged God, "Please choose a new leader; Don't let the people wander around like sheep without a shepherd to care for them"

- Moses had a special friendship with God; He talked to God about everything!

- If Jesus is your Savior, you can have a special friendship with Him too

- He wants you to come to Him about everything; He wants you spend time with Him alone every day to get to know Him & know how much He loves you!

### **MT, PAS – GOD WANTS YOU TO TALK TO HIM IN PRAYER**

**1** **Thessalonians 5:17** – **"Pray without ceasing** (Pray to God all the time.)."

**1.**

**2.**

**3.**

- It's amazing to see Moses' close friendship with God!

- Moses asked God to choose a new leader for the people; And do you know what happened?

### **FLASHCARD 6-1**

- God heard Moses' prayer & chose Joshua to be next leader

- Joshua was Moses' helper; And was 1 of the 2 spies who believed God when He told them to go into land 1<sup>st</sup> time

- Then Moses turned to Joshua & said, "Be strong & of good courage; You will help them win the land..."