

# *TEACHER'S NOTES*

6 year olds	<b>OUR HEAVENLY FATHER</b>
Chapter 8	<b>Getting Ready for the Saviour</b>
Lesson 2	<b>The First Prophet.</b>

## AIMS

1. Students will learn the story of Moses as a baby
2. They will understand that God took special care of Moses so that he could do God's work when he was a grown man.
3. They will understand that God has a special plan for each one of us

## BEGIN

1. Have the children complete exercise one in their packs (as in the last lesson).
2. Explain to them that they will now hear a story about the first great prophet

## STEP 2

1. Tell the children that Abraham did in fact have many, many descendants, as many as the stars in Heaven, just as God had promised him.
2. Over the years they had come to live far from the land that God given that Abraham. For a long time they lived as slaves in Egypt under the Egyptian Pharaoh, that is, the king.
3. Show the children where Egypt's is on a map if possible.

## STEP 3

Now read aloud the story of baby Moses (Ex 1:22-2:10), or read the story *Baby Moses* by Linda Hayward, showing pictures as appropriate.

## STEP 4

help the children to summarise and retell The story according to the following principles:

1. Pharaoh sends out his soldiers to tell all the midwives to kill all the boy babies.
2. Moses mother hides him in a basket and sets him on the River Nile.
3. Pharaoh's daughter finds Moses and adopts him as her own son.

## STEP 5

Explain that Moses grew up to be the first prophet, and that in this story of his rescue from the evil Pharaoh, God's special care for Moses is demonstrated. He had a certain job for Moses to do, and He gave him special protection right from the time he was a small baby. Through Moses, the Jewish people will become more prepared for the Saviour's arrival.

## STEP 6

God's plans for Moses were dramatic, and Moses grew up to be a very important man. Explain to the children that God loves each one of them and has a special plan for them. God takes care of everyone by giving him parents, grandparents, an Angel, etc., and He wants all the children to grow up to do the job has in mind for them. Encourage the children to pray to God to know what it is He wants them to do when they grow up. Perhaps he will even cause some of them to be priests or religious.

## STEP 7

1. Have the children draw a picture of themselves preparing for Christ's. See Exercise 2 in the children's pack.

2. Help the students to compose a class play in which they tell God that they are preparing their hearts to the coming of His Son on Christmas. Post a prayer and say throughout the Advent season.

### **CONCLUDE**

1. Practise Catechism questions 1-20.
2. Teach the children an appropriate song, such as “O come, o come, Emmanuel,” Adoremus Hymnal, #301

### **PREVIEW**

Explain to the Children That in the Next Lesson is they will learn about the rules for life that God gave to Moses for the Jewish people and for us.