#### **LETTERS FROM A KIDS CHURCH LEADER**

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are all enjoying the summer holidays and maybe some of you have got away already for a break with your family. We are just back from spending a week in Portballintrae on the North Antrim coast. Normally we would fly somewhere for our summer holiday but we haven't done that this year. I'm wondering if any of you have ever flown to Egypt in North Africa where our Bible 'faith hero' Moses grew up – it's a bit warmer there than Portballintrae!

Moses chose to trust in God and His promises rather than in the treasures of Egypt where he had grown up, after being 'rescued' by Pharaoh's daughter from the Nile River as a little baby.

He didn't know exactly how those promises would come true, but he was willing to do some wild things because he trusted that the outcomes would be great. He did not do amazing things in his own power, but put his trust and hope in God, and God did the work. Moses was used by God to rescue his people and escape from Egypt where they had been badly treated as slaves for years.

Ruth, Lois, John, Katie, Ben, Nikki, Judith, Mark and Abigail!

# **Challenge:**

"He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward." Hebrews 11:26

(NIV – we know you love to add this in!)

When you are trying to remember this verse, why don't you try repeating it over and over, challenge your parents or siblings to say it or write it out.

## Sing-A-Long:

Here is a little song to sing and dance along to, we hope you enjoy it!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8AC-KtJriw4

## **Bible Story:**

"Heroes of Faith" based on Hebrews 11 (<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlgXVihi">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlgXVihi</a> S8) is the series that Kids Church are going to focus on over the summer! We will learn about a different person from Hebrews 11 who demonstrated faith and this week we are focussing on Moses. Watch the video below and read Hebrews 11:24-28.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5aFw8D3Degc&list=PL5aPdmniG3y-rlAyTSG3YbGyWoCxTUvVs&index=19

In our memory verse today, we see the reason why Moses is considered a hero of faith. He didn't choose the world he grew up in. He chose God. He knew that in doing so, he was leaving a comfortable life behind but he knew that it would be worth it. This was a leap of faith because he didn't know what the future held, he didn't know how God's promises were going to come true but he knew that God was in control.

What can we learn from Moses? We can learn that it is more important to choose God instead of worldly things. We might not always know what is going to happen in our lives, but we can trust that God will carry us through no matter what. We have a choice to make every day to put God first. Our challenge for you today is to think of some of the things that you choose over God and make an effort to put God first. Maybe it's your x-box instead of prayer, or tv over bible reading? You can even write some of your distractions down. Put your bible in a place that you see a lot or leave yourself post it notes on the bathroom mirror as a reminder to pray.

## Craft:

A superhero deserves a sweet treat from time to time! Today we have included a brownie recipe for you to make with your family.

Ingredients:

225g/8oz butter
450g/1lb caster sugar
140g/5oz dark chocolate, broken into pieces
5 medium eggs
110g/4oz plain flour
55g/2oz cocoa powder

## Method:

- 1. Heat the oven to 190C/170C Fan/Gas 5. Line a 20x30cm/8x12in baking tin with baking paper.
- 2. Gently melt the butter and the sugar together in a large pan. Once melted, take off the heat and add the chocolate. Stir until melted.
- 3. Beat in the eggs, then stir in the rest of the ingredients.
- 4. Pour into the prepared tin and bake for 30–40 minutes, or until the top of the brownie is firm but the inside still feels soft.
- 5. Take out of the oven and cool in the tin. Cut into 5cm/2in squares when cool.
- 6. We would love to see your creations, please take a photo and send to steven@railwaystreet.org



Worksheet.





# Moses

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RED SEA

TWELVE TRIBES

EGYPT

WILDERNESS

MOUNT NEBO

PHARAOH

ISRAELITES

JETHRO

## Prayer:

Dear God,

We don't know what the future holds, but we know that you are in control. Our prayer today is that we always prioritise you as number one in our life. Let Moses be a reminder to us that you are of greater value than anything in the world.

For your glory and our good, Amen.

#### The End:

Jesus is our ultimate hero of faith because he is perfect, but we can still learn from imperfect people. We are so excited for you to work through the "Heroes of Faith" series. We hope this guide points you to God and reminds you of His love. Until next week,

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#### Other Resources:

The Bible Project are sending out weekly family encouragements: https://bibleproject.com

Illustrated Ministry have lots of Free resources that can be used as well: https://www.illustratedministry.com/

Railway Street Presbyterian Church: http://www.facebook.com/RailwayStreetPC

Hope for Youth Ministries are doing assemblies on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays: https://www.facebook.com/hopeforyouthministries/

She Reads Truth have a Kids Read Truth section with a free digital download, 'Kids Read Matthew.' This is a daily scripture and activity book, follow the link below to download: https://shereadstruth.com/downloads/

Made for More have an Encounters with Jesus booklet which can be requested from <a href="mailto:steven@railwaystreet.org">steven@railwaystreet.org</a>

