

## BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

### QUARTER

Unit 2, Session 4

### CONNECTION POINT:

Commitment to Christ includes a commitment to His body, the church.

### THE BIBLE MEETS

**LIFE:** Culture applauds the “self-made person,” that individual who, with little more than grit and determination, overcame obstacles to become the top in his or her field. The reality is no one succeeds without the help and support of others. Unfortunately, the “self-made person” idea is embraced by some Christians. “I’ve got Jesus and I don’t need anything else.” One of the blessings Christ give us is a family—His body, the church. We need the support of other believers, and they need ours.

**LIVE IT OUT:** Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

# FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

## PRESCHOOL

**Scripture:** Exodus 1:8–2:10

**Live It Out:** Review how Moses’ family protected him. Say the Weekly Bible Verse together: “Take care of your family. 1 Timothy 5:4.” Pray, thanking God for your family.

A baby boy was born into a family. The king did not want baby boys to live. The family hid the baby for three months. To keep the baby safe, the mother covered a basket with sticky tar to keep the basket dry. The mother laid the baby in the basket and placed it in the tall grass near the edge of the river. The baby’s sister stayed nearby to watch.

When the king’s daughter came to the river, she saw the basket and the baby. His sister asked the king’s daughter, “Do you need someone to care for the baby?”

“Yes,” said the king’s daughter.

The sister brought her mother. She was happy to take care of her baby. When the boy was older, he went to live with the king’s daughter. The king’s daughter named him Moses.

## KIDS

**Scripture:** Exodus 1:8–2:10

**Live It Out:** Review how Moses’ mother protected him. Help your child think about ways adult family members protect him. Help him think of ways he can care for younger siblings.

Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, ordered the newborn Hebrew baby boys to be killed.

One family hid their baby boy for three months. To keep the baby safe, the mother coated a basket with tar. She put the baby in the basket and set it among the reeds beside the river. The baby’s sister, Miriam, watched him.

Pharaoh’s daughter came to the river and saw the basket. She told her maid to bring her the basket. Pharaoh’s daughter saw the baby and felt sorry for him.

Miriam hurried to her. “Should I find a Hebrew woman to care for the baby for you?” she asked. Pharaoh’s daughter agreed.

Miriam brought her mother. Pharaoh’s daughter told his mother to care for the baby and bring him to her when he was older. Pharaoh’s daughter named the boy Moses.

## STUDENTS

**Scripture:** Romans 12:3–16

- How do we benefit by being a part of the church?
- What obstacles often prevent us from using our gifts as God intended?
- How does genuine Christian love differ from the world’s idea of love?

**Live It Out:** In Romans 12, Paul listed several ways we’re to relate to others. One, specifically, is sharing in others’ experiences—celebrating successes and grieving difficulties. The church is a community of believers who are called to meet together regularly to study Scripture, pray, worship, serve and encourage one another, and proclaim the gospel to the world.

With your student, consider who in your church or community is in need of celebrating. Make plans to celebrate that person in a way that makes him or her feel loved and valued. Who in your church or community is grieving or facing a difficult situation? Consider ways you can help ease the hurt and heavy burdens of this friend and neighbor.