

# S.A.F.E. Homes



Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere



*“By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king’s commandment.” Hebrews 11:23*

## Doing the Right Thing

Jochebed carefully prepared a basket with tar so water would not seep in and laid it gently in the reeds at the edge of the river. She and her husband could no longer keep their baby hidden from the Egyptians. Although his sister stood nearby to watch, they knew their little one was in God’s hands. Soon the crying infant was discovered by Pharaoh’s daughter. A mother’s instinct arose within in her heart and she felt compassion for this tiny Hebrew baby.

We know this story so well. Moses ended up being nursed by his own mother and eventually went to live in the palace. What looked like a hopeless situation actually put Moses right where God intended him to be! He grew up to be a mighty man of God and helped deliver the Israelites from Egyptian bondage.

Like Moses, our story can be one of victory no matter where or how it began. Some of us are blessed to live with both parents, others may be in a single parent home or with grandparents. Still others have been adopted or raised by compassionate people who have taken them in. Whatever your situation, God has His eye on you and wants you to grow to be the person he designed you to be. God used two different women to help shape Moses’ life. One gave birth to him and the other took him in and raised him, but both played an important role in shaping his destiny. It pleases God when we honor the people he has placed in our lives. “Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right,” (Ephesians 6:1).

**Family Prayer:** *Lord, so often I want my own way but You know what is best for me. Teach me to be humble before you and others so I can be blessed. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



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Gather craft supplies. Have each child trace the shape of their hand onto construction paper. In the palm of the hand write, "I am thankful that you..." On each finger have the child write something a parent/caregiver does for them (cook for me, read to me, love me, etc.) On the palm on the other side of the hand write "I will honor you by..." On each finger write a way to show honor (obeying, not complaining, saying thank you, etc.). Present the finished craft as a gift of love and honor.

Let's talk

Do you find that many people blame their problems on how they were raised? What is your answer for how God can turn any situation into something for His glory? Moses sure got off to a rough start but God had plans for Him!

Mother's Day can be a lonely or emotional time for some people. Look around for someone in your congregation/neighborhood who you can honor this Mother's Day with a card, a dinner, or just a word of appreciation.

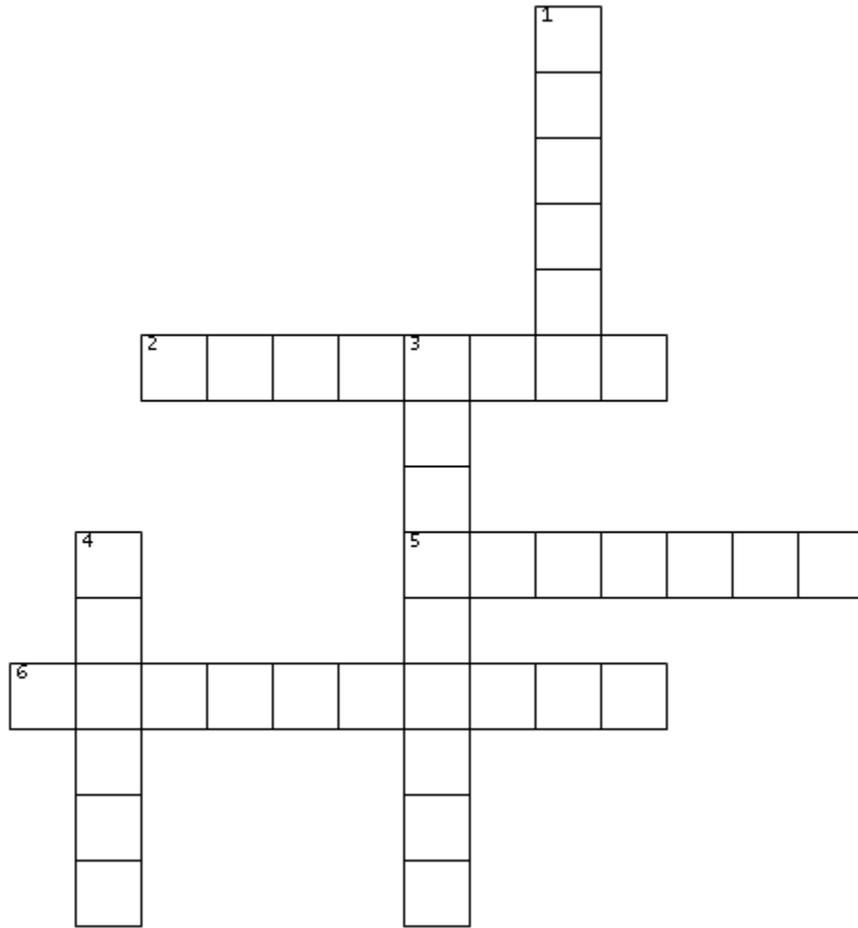


## Additional Challenges

Let's take a closer look at Moses' beginning. Do your own research in the scripture and see if you can find these answers.

- Who were Moses' parents?
  - Mother- \_\_\_\_\_
  - Father- \_\_\_\_\_
- How old was Moses when he was placed in the river?
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- Who named him Moses?
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- What did the name, Moses, mean?
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - Why? \_\_\_\_\_
- Who were Moses' siblings?
  - (Brother) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (Sister) \_\_\_\_\_
- The Book of Hebrews, chapter 11, tells us this about Moses...
  - "By faith Moses, when \_\_\_\_\_, refused to \_\_\_\_\_ . Choosing rather \_\_\_\_\_ than to \_\_\_\_\_ . Esteeming the reproach of Christ \_\_\_\_\_ than the treasures in Egypt:..."

# Puzzle Page



## ACROSS

2. Moses' mother
5. \_\_\_'s daughter discovered Moses
6. Moses helped to deliver the \_\_\_ from bondage

## DOWN

1. Moses went to live in the \_\_\_
3. Moses' parents needed to hide him from the \_\_\_
4. placed Moses in this

