## TOPHER'S WEEKLY LESSON

In the Bible, in the Book of Exodus, there was a mean man named Pharaoh. Pharaoh didn't like God's people. He made them into slaves and forced them to work harder and harder. But God saw what Pharaoh was doing and He didn't like it one bit. There was also a nice man named Moses who loved God very much. One day, God told Moses, "Go to Pharaoh and tell him to let my people go." But Moses was very afraid of the big, bad Pharaoh, so God said, "I will be with you." But Moses was STILL afraid of the big, bad Pharaoh, so God said, "I will send your brother to help you."

Moses had a brother named Aaron. Moses and Aaron went together to see the big, bad Pharaoh. When they got there, Moses was too nervous to talk, so Aaron helped him. "Listen up!" Aaron said to Pharaoh, "God says 'Let my people go!'" But Pharaoh just laughed. "Who's going to make me?" he said, "Show me a miracle to prove you have the power."

Just then, Aaron threw his walking stick onto the ground in front of Pharaoh. God made the stick slither, then hiss, then He turned it into a snake. Pharaoh wasn't impressed. "Oh yeah!" he said, "watch this!" Then Pharaoh told his magicians to throw their walking sticks on the ground just like Aaron did. Slowly their walking sticks began to slither and hiss, until they turned into snakes too. But God wasn't done just yet. God sent his snake to gobble up both of the magician's snakes. It was God's way of telling Pharaoh, "I am more powerful than you!"

THE BIG IDEA: GOD GIVES ME FRIENDS WHO HELP.
BIBLE BASIS: EXODUS 7:1—13

## ACTIVITY: MAY 31, 2020

MY FRIENDS (Response to God Activity)

Supplies: GO! Home Guide (printed on back of coloring sheet, 1 per child), crayons

Question: Do you think it made Moses braver to have Aaron with him? Why or why not?

**Directions:** Give each child a GO! Home Guide and some crayons or markers. The sheet will have a space for children to draw. Tell the children to draw a picture of their friend. When finished, have the children show their picture and tell about their friend.

**Say:** God gave Moses a friend. He gives us friends too! Let's say a prayer and thank God for giving us the friend in our picture.

**Prayer:** Begin by asking if any of the children would like to pray. Allow any children who want to pray the opportunity to do so. When they're finished, close the prayer by thanking God for the friends that were mentioned.

## WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?

