

## Q7 – GOD IS GOOD AT VICTORY!

## PARENT TEACHING GUIDE

God wins the victory! We are studying Old Testament battle stories. These stories show us over and over again that God has the power and God wins the victory for His people when they follow His commandments (have faith in Him). We will study Jesus' triumph over death, which brings us the victory of salvation. We can be victorious if we remain faithful to God and to the sacrifice of His son. God never promises that our lives will be easy. He does promise us victory through Christ if we trust Him.

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# LESSON 4. VICTORY BY TRAVELING & HOLDING ARMS UP!

ISRAELITES DEFEAT EGYPTIANS JUST BY TRAVELING. MOSES DEFEATS THE AMALEKITES BY HOLDING HIS ARMS UP! GOD DELIVERS THE AMORITES (SIHON AND OG) INTO MOSES' HAND.

**Memory Verse: Psalm 22:4-5** "Our ancestors trusted you. They trusted you, and you saved them. They called to you for help. And they were rescued. They trusted you. And they were not disappointed."

**Text: Exodus 14; Exodus 17:8-16; Numbers 21:21-35**

The family of Jacob, the Israelites, had become great in number in the land of Egypt. It was time in God's plan that they learn to be a nation of people, chosen of God. God demonstrates His great power as he leads them out of Egypt. God teaches the people to trust Him. In all circumstance God will provide and protect His people. God keeps His promises. Now the people must learn to trust Him. God's plan was that families tell the

stories of His great deeds to their children every day. Only in this way will we trust God great power, learn to love Him with our whole being, and never forget God.



### FACTS TO KNOW

**WHERE:** EXODUS; Egypt; Red Sea; Mt. Sinai; Edom; Moab

**WHO:** GOD, Moses, Pharaoh, Israelites, Pharaoh's army, Esau, Amalekites, Joshua, Aaron, Hur, Sihon, & Og

**WHEN** (Purple Card): Moses

**PRAISE & PRAYER** Show pictures of water (oceans & rivers). Praise God who used water to defeat Egypt.

Praise Passage: **Psalm 66:5** Have your child write the verse down into a small notebook of their own ("Praise Journal"). Praise God & discuss the meaning as they write it down. The point of the praise passage is for your child to learn how to praise God – learn how to say nice things about God and to God in prayer.

**Victory Psalm: Psalm 136\*** Gradually read this psalm together so that your child knows it by heart.

**Victory Songs: The Battle Belongs to the Lord\* & Faith is the Victory\***

**WHEN WALL/ TIMELINE** Use the "**When Wall – Purple Cards Key**"\* to do the When Wall cards at home. Review the Historical Heading cards ("purple cards") that tell the story of the Bible. For Kindergarten and up add in the Famous People cards (white cards) and for 2nd grade and up add in the Books of the Bible cards (yellow cards).

**LESSON** As you introduce the lesson, talk about where in the Bible timeline this lesson occurs (which purple card this lesson falls under). See the **Victory-When Wall\*** answer key for guidance (a copy is also provided in the student folder). "Israelites & Moses" goes under the "Moses" purple card. Tell carefully or read dramatically today's lesson using the Bible, your child's lesson folder, or the preschool family story within this guide. Here are the **lesson 4 visuals\*** created by Renee to help you teach this lesson. *Remember to emphasize how God is the hero of the story!*

**ACTIVITIES** Use the activity packet for lesson 4 provided in your child's student folder. Students in the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grades have a cover page for the packet where they can begin learning their memory verse by writing it down and writing what they are thankful for and what they will pray for this week.

*Open my eyes that I may see....God can fight my battle for me.*

Additional Activities:

1. See how long your child(ren) can hold their arms up!
2. WHO review. Put each of the following names on separate index cards: Adam, Eve, Job, Eliphaz, Bildad, Zophar, Jacob, Laban, Rachel, Leah, Jacob's 12 sons, Moses, Joshua, Pharaoh, Aaron, Hur, the Amalekites, Sihon, and Og. Have your child(ren) place them under either the "First Fathers" or "Moses" purple card. Hint: Ask yourself, "Would Moses have met or known these people?" If yes, put under "Moses." If not, put under "First Fathers."
3. Make a "Trust in the Lord" [bookmark](#)

*\*All underlined items are links to teaching resources*

**SING** *How Did Moses Cross the Red Sea?; My God is so Big; [How Great is Our God](#), [The Lord's Army](#), Soldiers of Christ Arise, Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus*

## **FAMILY/PRE-K STORY:**

### **Moses Leads the Israelites / God Gives the Victory and Demonstrates His Power**

Exodus 14;17:8-16; Numbers 21:21-25

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*This is the Bible, God's written word. It tells how God made us and it tells how God loves us. Listen carefully and keep God's words in your heart so that you will never forget how good and wonderful our God is. God loves us and takes care of us....*

*Jehovah is my shepherd; and I shall not want, He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul: He guides me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Psalms 23:1-3 Oh give thanks unto Jehovah for He is good: for His lovingkindness endureth for ever. Oh give thanks unto the God of gods; For His lovingkindness endures forever. Oh give thanks unto the Lord of lords; For His lovingkindness endures forever: To Him who alone does great wonders; for His lovingkindness endures forever. Psalms 136:1-4*

Jacob took his family back to the home of his grandfather Abraham, to the land that God promised them. This was a period of time of the First Fathers when God spoke to the fathers about His promises and blessings.. The fathers led their children in worship and taught them to trust in God's promises. God had told Abraham that he would bless his children and their children. A time of great famine came to the land and God used Joseph, one of Jacob's sons, to provide a way of keeping His promise to Abraham.

Joseph's brothers were jealous of him and sold him into slavery. He was taken to Egypt. But Joseph worshipped God in spite of this bad thing that had happened to him and God blessed him and made him a great ruler in the land. Jacob finally learned what happened to Joseph. Do you remember the story? Jacob took his family and all their sheep to Egypt. They lived here in peace for many years. But when a new pharaoh came to throne that did not know the faithful work of Joseph he was afraid because the family of Jacob had grown to be so large. He made them work as slaves and build his great cities. He was very mean to them. The people cried to God to save them. God heard their cries and he chose Moses, who had been saved from the cruel pharaoh when he was a baby. Moses was now a shepherd in the mountains east of Egypt. God sent Moses to lead the people out of Egypt. The time was right. The people had become a great number and it was time to make them a great nation as promised to Abraham.

The people were now called Israelites and they did not know God's power. They did not know that He was the God of Victory. They had not learned to trust Him. But God had a plan. The people saw the many plagues that God sent to punish Pharaoh. They saw God part the sea so that they could walk safely to the other side. They watched the sea swallow up and kill pharaoh's army. As they continued their journey to their promised home, they saw God defeat the Amalekite people when they tormented the travelers. God promised that as long as Moses held his arms up the Israelites would win. Aaron and Hur held up his arms so they could win the battle as God promised. Then the kings of the Amorite Nation refused to let them pass through their land and attacked the people. But God gave the victory to Moses. These are only a few of the great things that God showed the people that He was in charge. The people were learning that the God of Abraham was the One True God and that He was the God of Victory. Moses taught the people to tell their children everyday the great stories of God's Victory. *Thank you God for Fathers and Mothers who tell us about Your great power and love.*

## **Family - Older Child & Adult Questions:**

1. Your Praise Verse for this week is Psalm 66:5. What are some of the works of God that show how "awesome" He is in what he does for us?

2. Which verses in Psalm 136 reference this week's lesson?

How do these events demonstrate God's "mercy endur(ing) forever?"

3. When Israel saw the Egyptians marching after them, they were afraid. But, Moses told them

Do not be \_\_\_\_\_. Stand \_\_\_\_\_, and see the \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD, which He will \_\_\_\_\_ for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again \_\_\_\_\_ more \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_, and you shall hold your \_\_\_\_\_. (Ex. 14:13-14)

4. Israel saw many great works of God described in Exodus 14. Read this chapter and list what God did in the blanks below.

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| _____ | honor (Ex. 14:4)  |
| _____ | Salvation (Ex. 14:13-14)                                      |
| _____ | for Israel (Ex. 14:13-14)                                     |
| _____ | the Red Sea to part (Ex. 14:21)                               |
| _____ | the seabed dry up (Ex. 14:21)                                 |
| _____ | down and saw the Egyptians chasing the Israelites (Ex. 14:24) |
| _____ | the Egyptian army (Ex. 14:24)                                 |
| _____ | the Egyptian chariots' wheels (Ex. 14:25)                     |
| _____ | the Egyptians (Ex. 14:27)                                     |
| _____ | Israel that day (Ex. 14:30)                                   |

5. What did Israel do when they saw the great power of GOD (Exodus 14:31)?

What should you do when you see the great power of God?

6. Who helped Moses in the war with the Amalekites?

How did they help him?

7. Have there been or could there be times in your life that you will need the help of others to win your battles for the Lord?

8. In the battle with the Amalekites, Moses used his \_\_\_\_\_; Joshua used his \_\_\_\_\_; but God won the \_\_\_\_\_.

9. Moses built an altar after the battle with the Amalekites and named it \_\_\_\_\_. Banner can mean "a flag on a pole used as the standard of a monarch, army, or knight." Do you see why Moses named the altar as he did?

10. Just as the Israelites were approaching The Promised Land, they had some trouble with the Amorites. What was the problem?

What did God tell Moses in Numbers 21:34?

11. God fought for Israel from the beginning of their wilderness wandering to the very end. He will fight for you throughout your life too if we will be like the Israelites were. What does Psalm 22:4-5 tell us that the Israelites did that we need to be sure to do also if we want God to deliver us?