

## Fun Fish – Toddlers in COLOUR

### Session 3: Be Helpful – PURPLE – A Prince in the Desert

Memory Line: “Be kind to each other.” (Ephesians 4:32)

Welcome:

Theme Song: to the tune of Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

*Twinkle, twinkle, little star. God loves you just as you are.*

*Up above the world so high. Like a diamond in the sky.*

*Twinkle, twinkle, little star. God loves you just as you are.*

#### Colour and Topic:

Purple is harder to find. Purple grapes and cabbage. Purple flowers. Have a jug of water and put in some drops of purple food colouring. Today’s topic is about being helpful. Sometimes helping someone just a little bit can go a long way.

#### Bible Story – A Prince in the Desert (Exodus 2)

Puppets, dolls, soft toys, or dressed-up wooden spoons

Moses in a purple robe

Seven sisters

Three bullies

The father

**Materials needed:** (feel free to replace the items with what you already have)

Well

Bucket

Sheep

House

#### Reflective Time (interactive):

How was Moses helpful in this story? How can you be help? Say the memory line together, and remember, whenever you see the colour PURPLE, be helpful.

**Short Prayer:** “Dear God, please help us to be helpful. Amen.”

**Sing a song:**

“Toddlers in COLOUR” card for this session:



### **Story 3: A Prince in the Desert (Exodus 2) (Be Helpful)**

There was once a prince called Moses. He had everything he wanted. A PURPLE cloak. A grand house. He looked so important and strong.

But when he grew up, he did something awful. The king was so angry, Moses had to run far away. He ran to the desert all by himself. He didn't know where to go. He didn't know what to do. Now he had no servants to help him.

But Moses wasn't so awful that he didn't care about others. A few days later, he saw a well. This meant that there were people around. He sat down beside it and waited.

In the distance he saw a flock of sheep and seven sisters heading his way. He watched as they pulled up water from the well. They filled up big buckets so that their sheep could drink.

But another herd appeared with big, strong shepherd. They chased the seven sisters away. They chased the sisters' sheep away. Then they used the water the sisters had pulled up to water their own sheep.

Suddenly, Moses had enough. This wasn't fair. It wasn't right. He jumped to his feet. His PURPLE cloak billowed out. "Stop!" he shouted.

Moses chased those mean shepherds away. He chased their sheep away. "Don't you ever do that again," he called. Then he helped the seven sisters fill those buckets again. And the prince who had never done anything in his life, was suddenly helping others.

But that wasn't the end of the story. The seven sisters hurried home and their father said, "Why are you home so early?"

They replied, "A prince helped us. He watered the sheep for us."

"What?" said the father. "And you just left him there? Go find him."

So, Moses had supper with them, and he stayed with them. He took off his PURPLE cloak and helped take care of their sheep. Now he had another family.