

# The Exodus Story



The army chased the Hebrews to the banks of the Red Sea, where they were trapped. God told Moses to lift up his rod and so he did. The waters parted to make a dry path.



When all the Hebrews were safely at the other shore, Moses raised up his rod again and the water closed on the Pharaoh's army who had been chasing them. God saved the Hebrews.



Even though the Hebrews were free, they were still in the desert. They wanted to find a land called Canaan which God had promised them.

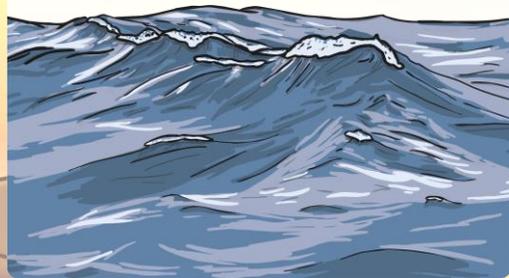
The journey was very long and they soon ran out of food. They were hungry and blamed Moses for taking them out of Egypt. Moses told them that God would provide food.



The next day, the ground was covered with a white food that tasted like honey. God also sent a flock of birds called quails, which they cooked and ate.



When their water ran out, God told Moses to strike a rock with his rod. As he did, water rushed out and they all had enough to drink.



After three months of travelling, the Hebrews arrived at the foot of Mount Sinai. God called Moses to meet him at the top of the mountain. As he climbed up, there was a thunderstorm.



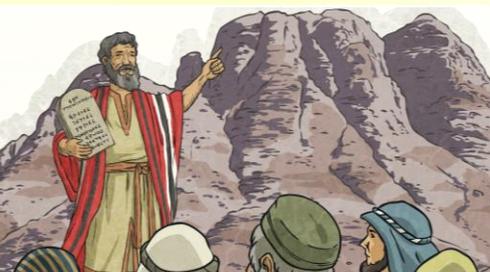
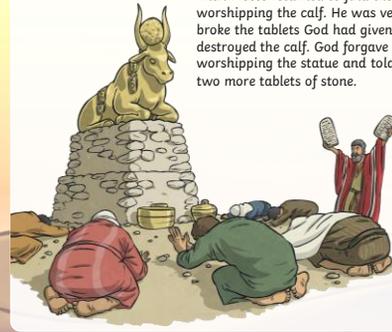
At the top of the mountain, God gave Moses ten laws which told the people how to live. These Ten Commandments were written on two stone tablets.



Moses was gone for a very long time, and the people waiting at the foot of the mountain grew impatient. They decided to make themselves another god to worship. It was a golden calf.



Then Moses returned to find the people worshipping the calf. He was very shocked. He broke the tablets God had given him and destroyed the calf. God forgave the people for worshipping the statue and told Moses to cut two more tablets of stone.



Moses took the stone tablets up the mountain and God gave him the Ten Commandments again. When he came down, all the people listened to Moses as he told them what God had said. Moses promised God that the Hebrews would keep all of the commandments.