

Story 52/53: God Divides the Sea

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Read this story in the Bible in Exodus 14:10-31

Words to Know

situation – the way things are around you

staff – a long, slender piece of wood to help in walking

Questions

1. What bad situation were the Israelites in?
2. Why did the Israelites call to God for help?
3. What did Moses tell the Israelites?
4. Why did God move the cloud to the ground?
5. What did God tell Moses to do with his staff?
6. What happened when Moses obeyed God?
7. How did the Israelites get to the other side of the Red Sea?
8. What happened when the Egyptian army followed the Israelites into the Red Sea?
9. What did the Israelites learn about God that day?
10. Why did the Israelites worship God?

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