

# INDIGENOUS IMPACT SUNDAY SCHOOL CURRICULUM

<b>Date</b>	May 30
<b>Lesson 1</b>	Lord, Make Us Holy
<b>Story</b>	Moses
<b>Goal</b>	To be aware of God's awesome holy character and to obey Him.
<b>Truth</b>	God tells us to be holy as He is holy.
<b>Memory Verse</b>	I Peter 2:9 "a holy nation"
<b>Craft</b>	Cross Suncatcher
<b>Extra</b>	Game: Following God's Voice

<p><b>Suggested Order of Activity</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening Prayer</li> <li>2. Optional Song: Open the Eyes of My Heart</li> <li>3. Verse Teaching Method: Team Challenge</li> <li>4. Story: Moses</li> <li>5. Craft: Cross Suncatcher</li> <li>6. Game: Following God's Voice</li> <li>7. Closing Prayer</li> </ol>
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## Memory Verse

Indigenous Impact is about prayer and God's Word changing our lives, families, and nations. I Peter 2:9 talks to us about the change or impact God wants to make in us. This verse can be sung to the tune of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star". Each week, we will focus on a various aspects of this verse and pray scripture into our lives.

But you are  
**a chosen people,**  
**a royal priesthood,**  
**a holy nation,**  
**a people belonging to God,**  
 that you may declare the praises of him  
 who called you out of darkness  
 into his wonderful light.  
 1 Peter 2:9 (NIV)

## TEAM CHALLENGE

Write the verse as shown above. Divide the class into 2 teams. Team 1 says line 1, 3, 5, 7. Team 2 says the alternating lines. Both teams say the reference. Challenge teams to be the loudest, quietest, deepest voice (lion), highest voice (mouse), etc. Teams can switch lines frequently.

Explain aspects of the verse between challenges. What does holy nation mean? *God is calling people from all nations to follow Him. Being holy means living differently from others in the world. Holy people do what God wants.* What does God want you to do? (Brainstorm some of God's commands.)

## **Moses and the Burning Bush**

### **Lord, Make Us HOLY**

**Text:** Exodus 3:1 - 22

**Goal:** To be aware of God's awesome holy character and to obey Him.

**Truth:** God tells us to be holy as He is holy.

#### **Bible Story:**

Have you ever been in a tough situation where you weren't sure if you could do the right thing? Our powerful God promises to be with us just like He was with Moses.

God's people, the Israelites, were slaves in Egypt. They worked very long and very hard without getting paid. There were so many Israelites that the people of Egypt got scared that the Israelites start a war. The Egyptian King (Pharaoh) commanded that all Israelite baby boys be thrown into the river.

The Israelites cried out to God to save them. At this time, Moses was born. Moses' mother, Jochebed, hid her baby boy for three months. Then she hid him in a basket in the river. Moses floated along the river's edge while his sister, Miriam, watched him. Jochebed asked God to protect Moses. Pharaoh's daughter found baby Moses and adopted him as her own son.

Moses went to an Egyptian school, but he remembered that he was an Israelite. God called him to rescue his people out of slavery. At first, he tried to rescue the people his own way instead of God's way. Moses saw an Egyptian man beating up an Israelite slave. Moses killed the Egyptian bully. Then he ran away to a different land. Moses was scared of getting caught. Moses gave up on rescuing God's people. Moses became a shepherd, got married and had children. But God did not give up on Moses. Let's read Exodus 3:1-5 (NIRV).

<sup>1</sup>Moses was taking care of the flock of his father-in-law Jethro. Jethro was the priest of Midian. Moses led the flock to the western side of the desert. He came to Horeb. It was the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the LORD appeared to him from inside a burning bush. Moses saw that the bush was on fire. But it didn't burn up. <sup>3</sup>So Moses thought, "I'll go over and see this strange sight. Why doesn't the bush burn up?"

<sup>4</sup>The LORD saw that Moses had gone over to look. So God spoke to him from inside the bush. He called out, "Moses! Moses!"

"Here I am," Moses said.

<sup>5</sup>"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals. The place you are standing on is holy ground."

Moses had excuses for why he couldn't rescue the Israelites. But God powerfully spoke the truth into Moses' life. Moses bowed before God in worship. Moses needed to be holy and obey God. God promised that Moses would not be alone. God would be with Moses so that Moses didn't need to be scared. God was much stronger than the Egyptian Pharaoh. The Bible tells us that God rescued the Israelites through Moses, and God led the people to the Promised Land.

### **True or False**

1. Moses was always holy and never failed. **False** – *Moses became holy when he trusted God and obeyed God.*
2. When Moses came before God, he didn't need to show his respect. **False** – *God told Moses to respect God's holiness by taking off his shoes.*
3. Moses was afraid to go back to Egypt at first. **True**
4. God gave up on Moses because Moses made too many mistakes. **False**
5. Moses could be holy and rescue God's people because our holy powerful God was with him. - **True**

### **Questions**

1. How can we connect with our holy God? *We must ask God to forgive us and then follow Him in His holy ways.*
2. Who can give us the power to make good choices and do what is right? *God does!*
3. How can we do things that seem really hard? *Trust in God to be with you just like He was with Moses.*

Remember: God gives us the power to do what is right. We can be holy like God is holy.

## Craft

### Cross Suncatcher

Adapted from Emily James at <http://kidscraftzone.com/post/Youth-Stained-Glass-Cross.aspx>

#### Materials:

- 2 Pieces of black construction paper per person
- Tissue paper (red, orange or yellow)
- Scissors
- Glue
- White crayon or pencil

Fire reminds us of God's holy power. Let's let God's holy light shine in our lives as we obey Him.

1. Fold 2 black pieces of construction paper in half.
2. Draw a cross on the paper and cut it out through both layers.
3. Tape or glue a piece of tissue paper on 1 side of the cross paper.
4. Place the second cross sheet over top and glue together. Hang in a window for the sun to shine through.



## Game

### Following God's Voice

Make an obstacle course or plan a path to a finish line. Blindfold one child. Then the teacher or an older child can call the blind-folded child's name and give instructions on how to travel through the obstacle course to the finish line. What is it like to trust another person and follow their voice? What would it be like if our ears were plugged? How can we listen to God's voice? What should we do when hear God's voice? What could happen if we ignore God's voice?