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EXODUS

A Two Act Play

Introduction

Joseph goes to Egypt and gets a very good government job. He is right hand man to the Pharaoh. His father, mother, and brothers to come live in Egypt. They have families and prosper.

Time Passes

Joseph and his family have long passed. Egypt is populated with many Jewish people. Pharaoh is afraid that the Jewish people will ally with Egypt's enemies and he enslaves the Jews to solve the potential security risk.

Time Passes

400 years of slavery.
Do you remember the days of slavery?

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ACT 1

Scene 1

Pharaoh and Astrologers

Astrologers warn Pharaoh that a male Jew will lead an uprising.

Pharaoh passes a law to kill the Jewish male newborn babies.

Midwives Shifrah & Puah

Shifrah & Puah know that they will be killed if they don't obey Pharaoh's law to kill the Jewish male newborn babies. They decide to continue delivering babies and not to kill the boys.

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ACT 1

Scene 2

Yochevet (mother to Moses), Miriam (sister to Moses), Batya (Pharaoh's daughter)

Yochevet can no longer hide her baby boy. She makes a waterproof basket and releases the basket on the Nile River.

Moses's sister Miriam watches the basket.

Pharaoh's daughter Batya is bathing in the river and finds the basket.
She adopts the infant boy Moses.

Miriam offers to find a wet nurse to nurse the baby boy. Batya offers to pay Yochevet to nurse baby Moses.

Time Passes Moses grows up in the Egyptian Palace.

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Act 1

Scene 3

Adult Moses, Egyptian Overlord, Jewish slaves

Moses sees an Egyptian overlord whipping a Jewish slave.

Moses intervenes. Kills the Egyptian overlord. Buries the body in the sand.

The next day Moses sees two Jewish people arguing.

Moses intervenes. One person says 'If you are mad at me will you kill me too?'

Moses realizes his secret is out, he will be pursued for murdering the Egyptian overlord.

He must flee to save his life. Moses escapes Egypt and goes to Midean.

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ACT 1

Scene 4

Moses in Midean.

Moses, Tziporah, voice of God.

Moses meets Tziporah. They marry. Moses becomes a shepherd. Raises a family.

Burning Bush. Moses sees a bush aflame but not burning. God Talks to Moses.

Turns his staff to a snake and then to a staff again.

Moses puts his hand in his shirt, removes it his hand has leprosy.

He puts his hand in his shirt again and removes it. His hand is normal.

God tells Moses to go to Egypt, talk to Pharaoh and tell him to

LET MY PEOPLE GO !!!

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ACT 2

Scene 1

Moses, his brother Aaron, Pharaoh

Moses meets Aaron in the desert. They reunite and Moses tells Aaron the plan to get Pharaoh to release the Jewish people.

Moses and Aaron go to the Egyptian Palace. Aaron speaks for Moses.

They talk to Pharaoh, ask for a break, a 3-day retreat for all the Jews to go to the country to fast and pray.

Pharaoh says NO. He makes the Jews lives harder. He stops providing hay to make bricks but maintains the same quota of brick production. The Jews now have to produce the hay and the bricks.

Jewish people are mad at Moses.

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ACT 2

Scene 2

Moses & Aaron return to Pharaoh's palace.

Again they ask for a 3-day retreat for the Jewish people to go to the country to fast and pray.

Pharaoh says NO again. (bad choice)

Guests present the plagues. (30 seconds each)

10 PLAGUES

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| 1. Blood | 6. Boils |
| 2. Frogs | 7. Thunder & Hail |
| 3. Lice | 8. Locust |
| 4. Flies | 9. Darkness |
| 5. Dead Livestock | 10. Death of the First Born |

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ACT 2

Scene 3

Pharaoh says GO ALREADY !

Jews leave Egypt fast.

They come to the edge of the Red Sea. Pharaoh's army is coming.

Moses tries to part the Red Sea. Nothing Happens.

1 Jewish person walks into the Red Sea, up to his nose. THE RED SEA PARTS.

Jewish people run across.

Pharaoh's army of Egyptian soldiers follow them. The Red Sea closes on the Egyptian Army.

THE JEWS ARE FREE !!!