

# SPARK SUNDAY SCHOOL

ACTIVATE FAITH

## UPPER ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION



### The Red Sea

Lesson Focus: **God can show us a way out. God Rescues Us!**

Scripture Reference: **Exodus 14:1-30**

Spark Story Bible Pg. 84

### GATHER

**Check In** with your High & Low for today/this week.

**Question:** Who are some people that we might call if we need to be rescued?

**Today's story is a rescue story, but it features a different kind of rescuer. When you read it, listen to figure out who gets rescued and who does the rescuing.**

### STORY

**Dear God, Thank you for rescuing the Israelites in the Red Sea. Thank you for rescuing me. Amen.**

An important event happened right before this story in the Bible.

The Israelites had been slaves in Egypt. Pharaoh made them do hard work. But God wanted Pharaoh to let the Israelite people go free. God sent Moses to convince Pharaoh to let the Israelites go free. It took a lot of convincing, but Pharaoh finally said OK. Today's story happened shortly after the Israelites had left Egypt.

### Questions:

- **Who needed rescuing in the story?**
- **Who was trying to hurt them?**
- **Who rescued them?**
- **This story has a lot of water in it. If you needed rescuing from water, what could you use?**
- **Have you ever seen one of these before? (See ring above) What is it for?**



Some people call this a "lifesaver" ring because it can help save someone's life if he or she is having trouble in water. We can call God our lifesaver! God rescued the Israelites and God rescues us!

Look up **Exodus 14:1-30** in the **NRSV** and listen along on Zion's website. Or turn to **page 84** in the **Spark Story Bible**.

### RESPOND

#### Bubble Prints

**Supplies:** Protective Table Covering, Tempera paint in a variety of colors poured into individual containers, Bubble solution, Straws, White paper, any size Permanent marker

**Let's respond to this Bible Story through the art of making bubble prints. The liquid can remind us of the Red Sea and how God rescued the Israelites in the Red Sea. There will be many circles that will remind us of a rescue ring, or a lifesaver, and of God, our lifesaver.**

