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THE  
PRINCE  
FROM THE  
RIVER



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Prime minister  
Joseph was  
dead!

All Egypt  
shared  
his  
family's  
sadness.



God had used  
Joseph the  
Hebrew to

save the  
country  
from  
famine.



He was a wise  
and beloved  
leader.

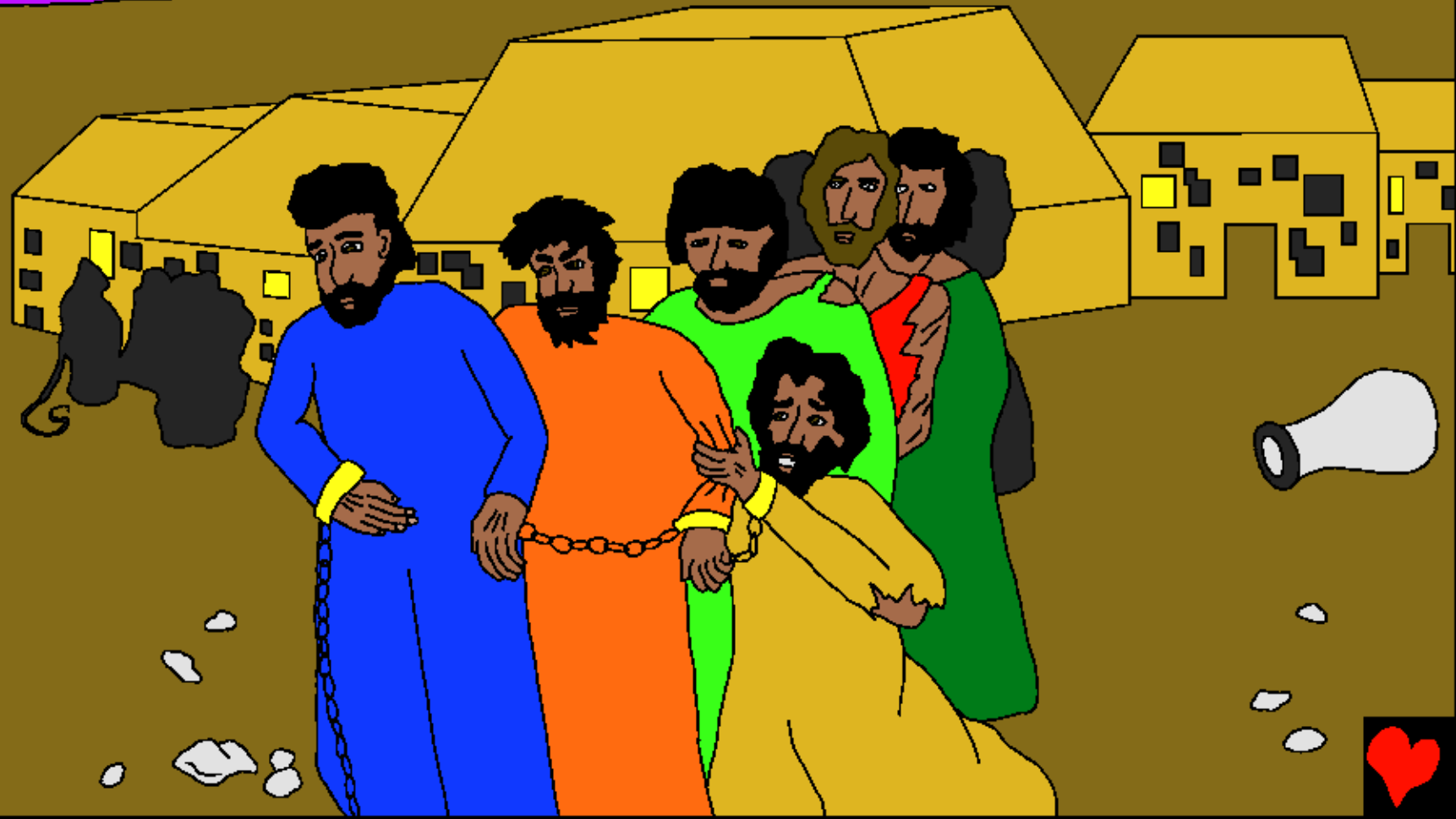
Now he  
was  
gone.



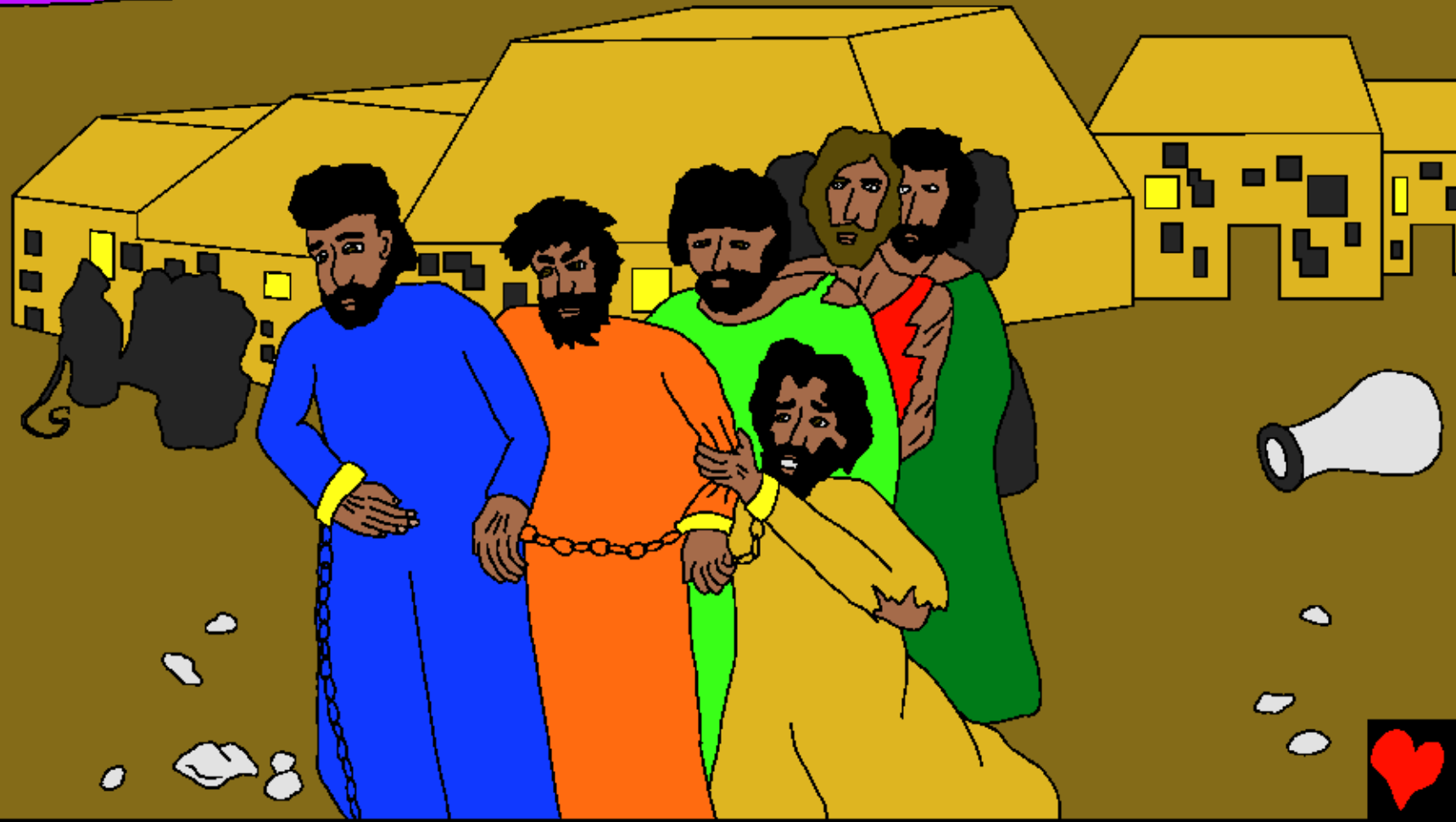
Over three hundred long  
years passed.



Joseph's people, the Hebrews, had become a mighty race within Egypt.



The new Pharaoh feared the  
Hebrews might turn against him,  
So he made them all slaves.

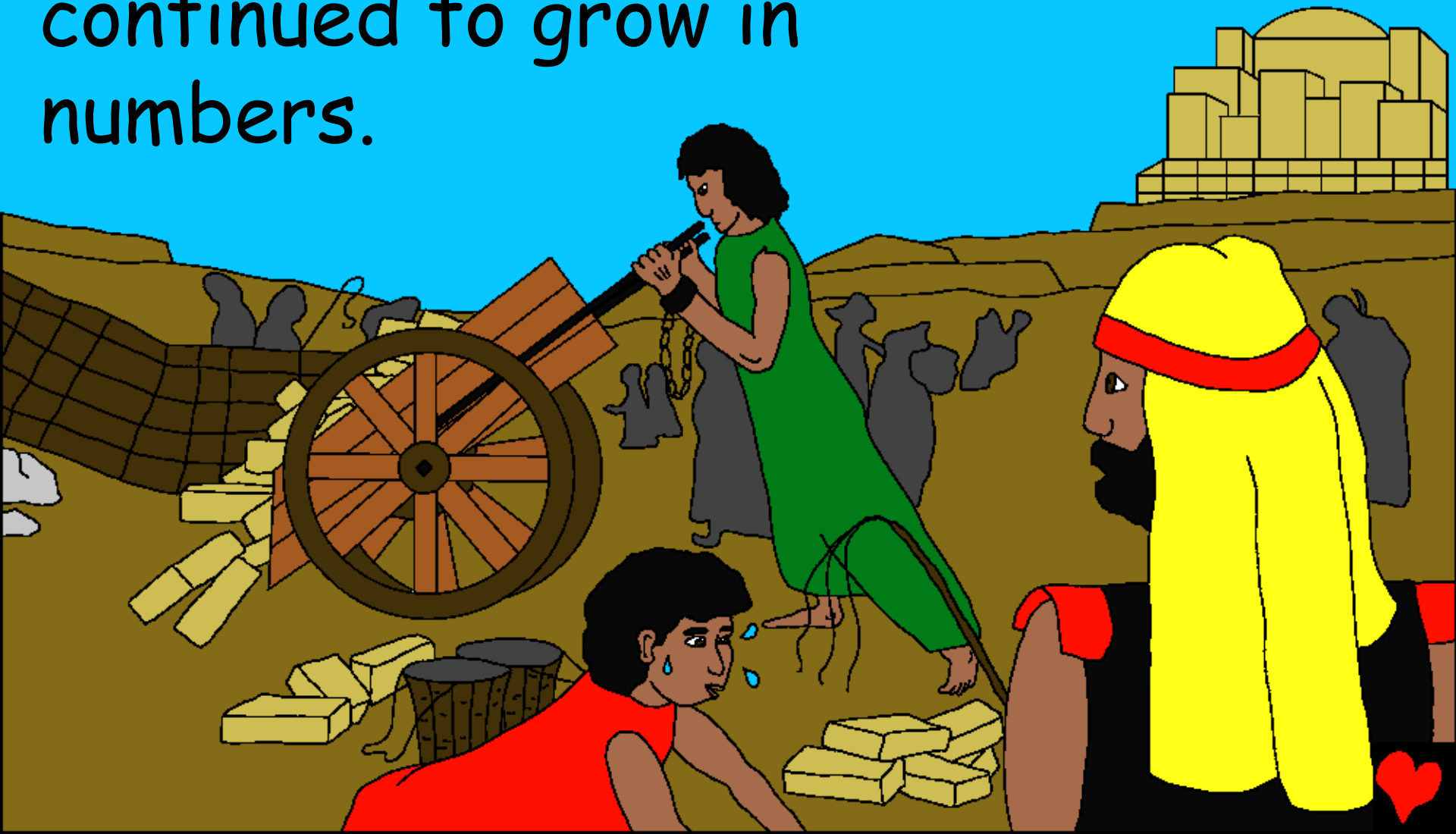




Pharaoh treated the Hebrews cruelly. He forced them to build great cities.



But no matter how hard he worked them, the Hebrew slaves continued to grow in numbers.



One day, a dreadful command came from Pharaoh. "All new-born boys must be thrown into the river Nile."



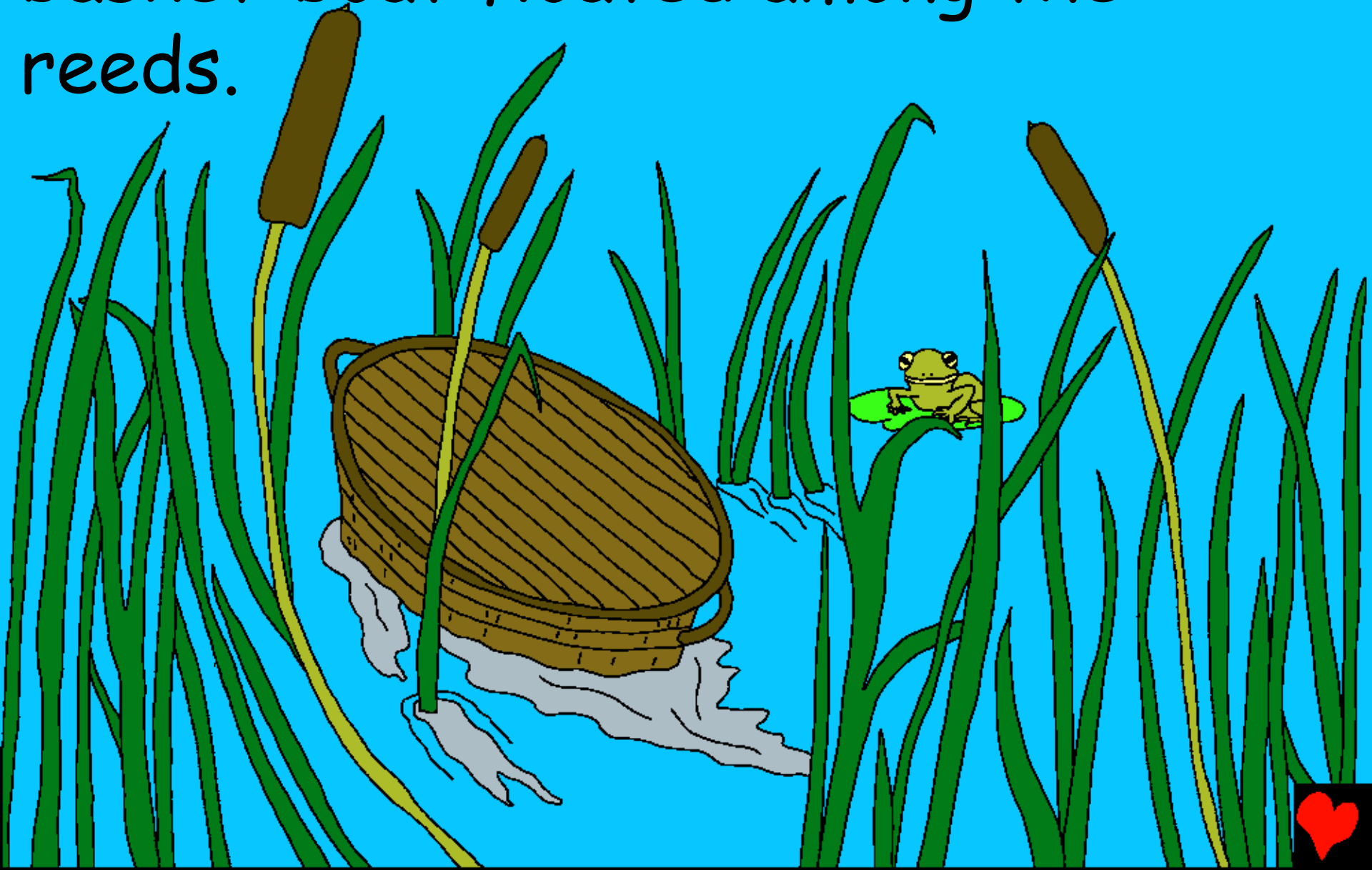
Wicked Pharaoh was determined to reduce the number of Hebrews. He would even murder babies!



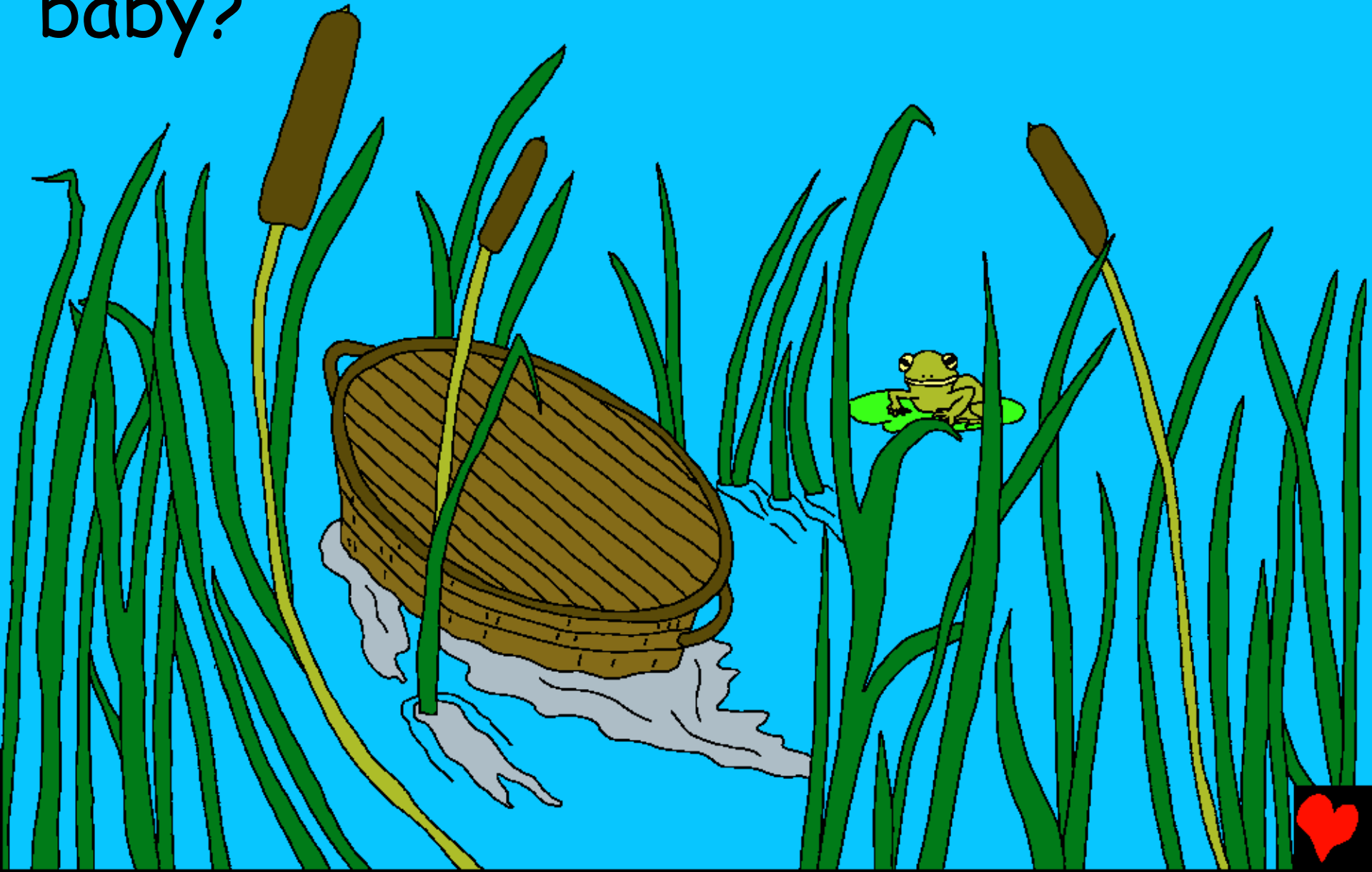
"What can we do?" one family must have wondered. They decided to put their child in the Nile River. But he would be inside a snug, water-tight basket.



Carrying its precious cargo, the small basket-boat floated among the reeds.



Whatever would happen to the tiny baby?



From a distance, the baby's sister  
watched the precious basket ...





... as it bobbed gently among the reeds.



Suddenly Pharaoh's daughter and her servants came to the river to bathe.



There was no way to hide the basket. Perhaps they would walk by without seeing it.



"Oh! A basket. There, in the reeds. I wonder what's inside."

Pharaoh's daughter commanded her servant to fetch the basket.



When she opened it - the baby started to cry. "It's a Hebrew child," the princess exclaimed.



"Poor little thing. You're so beautiful."



Probably Pharaoh's daughter talked to the baby the way many grown-ups do.



She may even have said "Ootchie-kootchie Koo-ums" - in Egyptian, of course.





God must have given special wisdom to the baby's sister. She ran to Pharaoh's daughter.



"Shall I find a Hebrew woman to look after the baby for you?"

"Go ahead," was the reply. Who do you think the girl ran to fetch?



"Mother! Come quickly! Oh, hurry!"  
Perhaps the girl didn't have time  
to explain.



Together, the two raced back down the footpath.



Back at the river, Pharaoh's daughter held out the baby. "Nurse him for me."



I will pay you. Call him Moses."  
Moses may be Egyptian for  
water-son.



So Moses was returned  
to his parents and home.  
They taught  
him to  
love God  
and the  
Hebrew  
people.



Soon he would live in the palace with Pharaoh's daughter. God, Who saved his life, had a great future planned for baby Moses.





# The Prince From the River

A story from God's Word, the Bible,

is found in

Exodus 2

"The entrance of Your Word gives light."

Psalm 119:130



The End



This Bible story tells us about our wonderful God who made us and who wants us to know Him.

God knows we have done bad things, which He calls sin. The punishment for sin is death, but God loves us so much He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on a Cross and be punished for our sins. Then Jesus came back to life and went home to Heaven! If you believe in Jesus and ask Him to forgive your sins, He will do it! He will come and live in you now, and you will live with Him forever.



If you want to turn from your sins,  
say this to God:

Dear God, I believe that Jesus died for me  
and now lives again. Please come into my  
life and forgive my sins, so that I can have  
new life now, and one day go to be with You  
forever. Help me to live for You as Your  
child. Amen.

Read the Bible and talk with God every  
day! John 3:16

