



A Surprising Call **STORY** **TIME**

"Moses Heard God's Call" *(tune: "Mary Had a Little Lamb")*

Moses heard God call his name,
call his name, call his name.
Moses heard God call his name
and he listened.

Can you hear God call your name?
Call your name, call your name,
can you hear God call your name?
Listen, listen.

God calls us to show God's love,
show God's love, show God's love.
God calls us to show God's love.
We can do it!

Long ago in Bible times, God's people worked hard for a mean king. But God had a plan to help them. Moses was an important part of God's plan. Moses knew about the king. Moses had run away from the king and was living in the desert, caring for sheep. One day Moses decided to go up on a mountain.

There on the mountain, Moses saw something amazing – a bush. Not an ordinary bush, but a bush on fire! Not an ordinary bush on fire, but a bush on fire that didn't burn up!

Imagine hearing that fire crackle. Imagine smelling the branches burn. Imagine feeling the heat from the burning bush. Imagine seeing a fire that keeps burning.

Moses could hardly look. But he heard a voice call, "Moses, Moses!" Moses answered, "Here I am." The voice spoke again, "Take off your shoes, Moses, because you are on holy ground."

Moses slipped off his shoes, but he still could hardly look at the burning bush.

Then Moses heard the voice say, "I am God, and I am calling you." Moses listened carefully to God's call.

God said, "I want you to help the people get away from the mean king. I want you to take them to a new home."

Moses didn't know what to think. He said, "How can I do that?" Then God said, "I will be with you."

Moses heard God's call and also felt God's love all around him. Moses would do what God called him to do.



A labyrinth is a path that people move along to help them listen to what God wants to say to them.

1. Think of a question you would like to ask God.
2. Begin at the starting place and slowly trace your finger along the path of the labyrinth. Think about your question as you move your finger.
3. When you get to the middle, stop for a moment and think about what God might be saying to you.
4. As you trace your way out of the labyrinth, keep thinking about your question.
5. When you are at the start again, sit quietly for a moment and think about your question and any new thoughts you have about it.

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