



## Walk Like An Israelite by Suri Levow-Krieger. Edited by Eva Grayzel

CHORUS: **Pharaoh Pharaoh, Oh Oh, let my people go, Yeah yeah yeah yeah** (to the tune: Louie, Louie)

The Children of Israel, once so prosperous and brave.  
They were made to sweat and work and toil and slave.  
Cities of Egypt they were ordered to build.  
It broke up their spirit, yes it broke up their will.  
Bricks and mortar they made by hand.  
Salty tears mixed with the clay and with the sand.

Afraid of Hebrew power, Pharaoh made a new decree:  
"A Jewish baby born a boy will drown in the sea"  
Yocheved wove a basket, sent Moses down the Nile.  
His sister Miriam hid and watched him for a while.  
He floated near the place where the princess bathed.  
She picked him up, fell in love, and Moses was saved.

**Chorus:**

By Pharaoh's daughter in a palace Moses was raised.  
And as he grew he watched his people suffer as slaves.  
He killed a task-master for mistreating a slave.  
Moses took a risk so that a Hebrew could be saved.  
Then he ran away from Egypt through desert sand,  
to live in Mideon, a faraway land.

He saw a bush on fire. There came a strange voice.  
"Set the Israelites free." He had no choice.  
"I'm afraid to meet with that nasty Pharaoh king!  
He'll take one look, and my neck he'll ring!"  
"Don't argue with me" said the Almighty God.  
Moses zipped his lips, gave a respectful nod.

**Chorus:**

Moses made his way to the Egyptian King,  
to demand Pharaoh face what was happening.  
"Set my people free, or God will send plagues."  
He spelled it all out. He was not vague.  
Blood, frogs, darkness, he named them all.  
Ten plagues on Egypt would befall.

After each plague Pharaoh said, "Go, go!"  
Then change his mind and became again the foe.  
Until the last plague took Pharaoh's own first born.  
Pharaoh was mad. His heart was torn.  
He ordered the Israelites, "Get out! Go free!"  
The Children of Israel began to flee.

**Chorus:**

So Moses gathered up the Israelite band,  
To lead them through the desert to the promised land.  
They feared the Sea of Reeds asking, "How can we,  
get across this vast, deep, and ominous sea?"  
Moses raised his staff. The waters split in two!  
What an awesome scene! They hurried on through.  
Pharaoh followed with his chariots, thought he'd win.  
But the waters (SWISH), they came a-rushing in!

**Chorus:**



## INTRODUCTION TO THE STORY

There is something magical in a great story; imaginations are exercised, hearts are stirred, and new thinking emerges. This story is designed to be a quick, easy read with a valuable message, providing readers a motivational lift.

- Positively influence your day by treating yourself to an uplifting message.
- Share this story with co-workers. Discuss and bond with your team over core values.
- Read this story to children at bedtime or in a car to promote healthy communication.

## GENERATE NEW THINKING AND INITIATE DIALOGUE BY ASKING THESE QUESTIONS:

What's the lesson to be learned?

How do you see yourself in the story?

If you could change anything in the story, what would it be?

How will this narrative change what you do or think?

Who would you share the story with and why?

## AFTER READING THE STORY WITH CHILDREN, TRY THESE FUN ACTIVITIES:

Role-play/act out the story. Include simple props (hats, scarves).

Reword the core message of the story in rhyme.

Pick a holiday or a birthday and make a tradition of sharing a story.

Ask an older relative for personal story related to the message. Start a collection of family stories.

Record any personal stories that arise from these family activities.

## EVERYONE HAS A STORY TO TELL: WHAT'S YOURS? SHARE AND CREATE CONNECTIONS

Who influenced your life and how?

What is your love story?

What is your greatest fear?

Who would you like to forgive or receive forgiveness from?

What would you do differently with a second chance?

## ABOUT EVA GRAYZEL: SPEAKER, SURVIVOR, STORYTELLER

I call myself a Motivational Storyteller because every story I share, whether on a big stage or in a small group, is thoughtfully crafted to educate, entertain and inspire audiences.

This is just one of many stories available to you on [EvaGrayzel.com](http://EvaGrayzel.com). I would love to hear how you used the story and if it facilitated communication. If you are looking for a story on a particular subject, don't hesitate to ask.

Happy Storytelling!

Eva