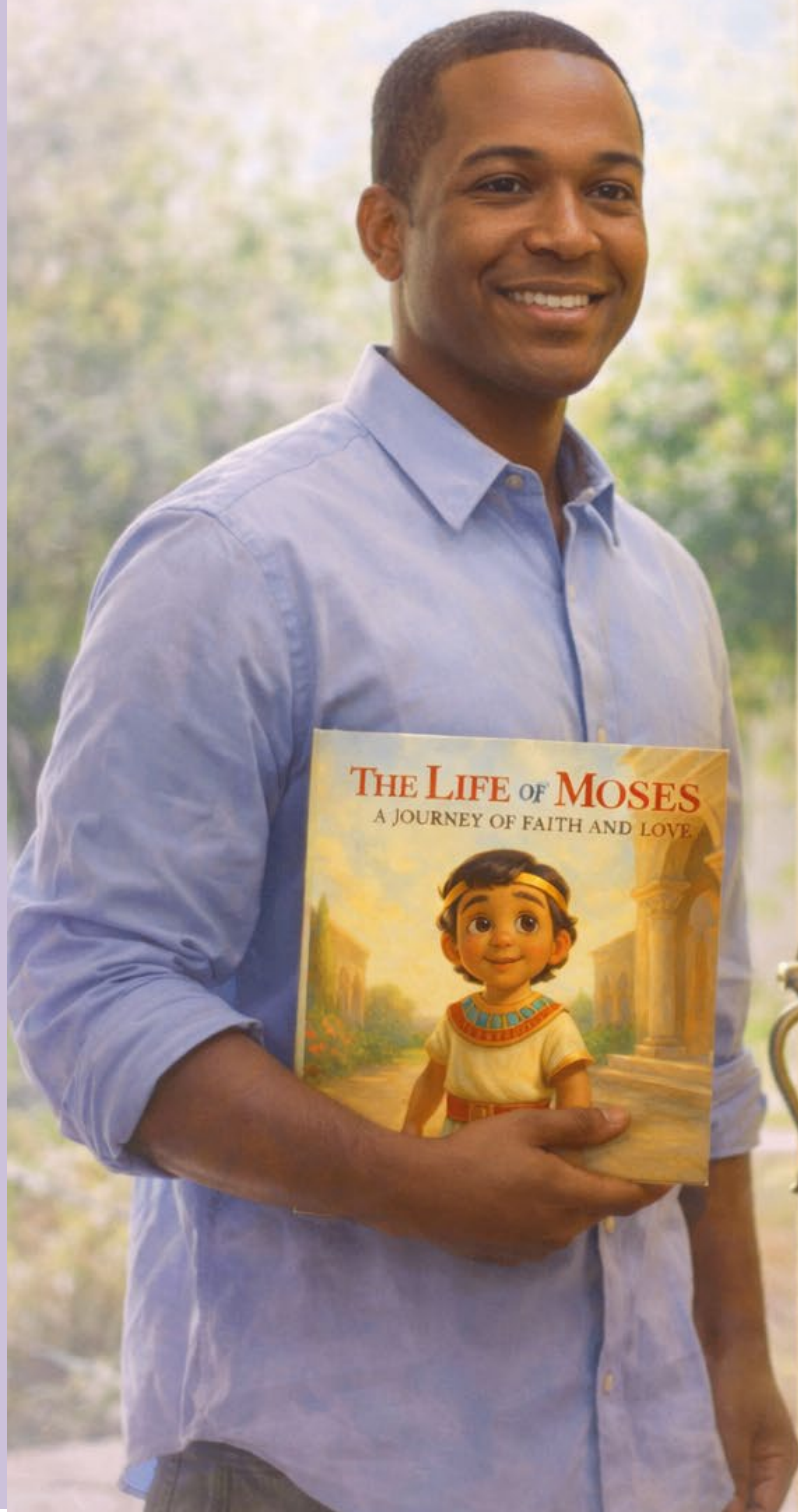


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A reading visit is not a lesson, a performance, or a requirement. It is simply a moment of presence—shared with care, respect, and love.

## 1. Begin with Invitation & Consent

Only visit families who have expressed interest or welcome companionship. A simple invitation such as, “Would you enjoy a short reading visit together?” keeps the moment safe and respectful for everyone.

## 2. Keep It Simple

Choose one gentle book or short reading. Sit together comfortably. There is no need to rush, explain everything, or guide outcomes. Let curiosity unfold naturally.

## 3. Read With Warmth, Not Expectation

Read slowly. Pause if a child asks a question or wants to share a thought. Silence is welcome. Laughter is welcome. There is no right way for the moment to unfold.

## 4. Share Through Presence

This visit is about being together—not teaching or correcting. If conversation arises, allow it to flow gently, guided by kindness and listening.

## 5. Honor the Creator Through Love

When appropriate and welcomed, acknowledge gratitude for learning, imagination, and one another. Service happens naturally when love leads the moment.

## 6. Close with Gratitude

A simple thank-you, shared reflection, or quiet blessing brings the visit to a peaceful close. Even short moments leave lasting impressions.

*Gentle reminder:* One book. One visit. One moment of care. That is what makes a difference in the lives of our kiddos.