

MAIN POINT:

Prickly Problems: God Has a Plan for Us

MEMORY VERSE:

"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him." Romans 8:28

BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

Moses' mother put him in a basket to keep him safe and alive. God had a plan for Moses' life, and nothing could stop that from happening. Moses grew up in Pharaoh's palace and lived like a prince.

WATCH IT

Find the lesson video on our website: <https://cchurch.ca/childrens-online>

DO IT → 3D CACTUS

Supplies:

- Cactus template (1 per child, see last pages)
- Light blue cardstock (1 per child, see last pages)
- Prickly Problems parchment sand template (1 per child), see last pages
- Pink and yellow tissue cut into 2-inch squares (3 per child, assorted colours)
- Pencil crayons or crayons
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- White crayons

Activity Instructions:

- Have children cut out their cactus pieces. Colour them green.
- Fold each of the large pieces vertically in half.
- On the back side of one of the halves, cover with glue. Stack the second piece on top. Repeat with the third.
- Lay the pieces flat, and fill in with white crayons to make the cactus spikes, making sure you get each side.
- Cut out the sand, colour and glue along the bottom of the blue cardstock. Layer the cactus on top, securing the side arms of the cactus as desired. Glue in place.
- Scrunch the tissue paper into little balls to be the flowers and glue them onto the cactus.

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TALK ABOUT IT:

Do this section with your child while they're putting together their craft.

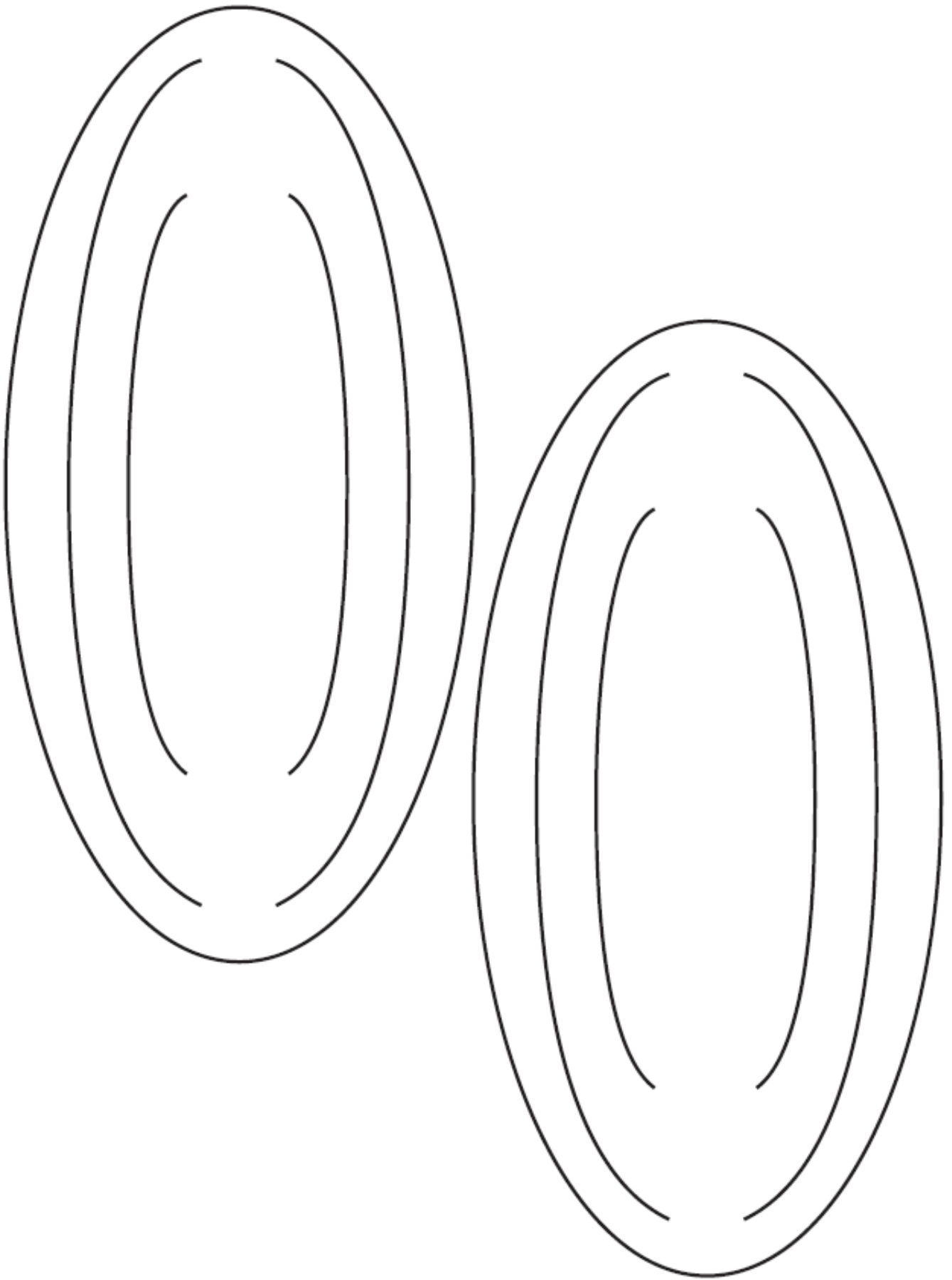
- 1. Have you ever faced a situation where it felt like all the obstacles were in your way? Maybe you slept late to get somewhere important, then your family's car broke down on the way, and when you finally got there, you realized you forgot something important. Share about a situation, and then tell me how it made you feel?** (Stressed, frustrated, cranky, angry, sad, disappointed.)
- 2. Life can be filled with Prickly Problems. God promises that when we face anything difficult, that He is there with us. And if it's important to God, God will make a way for us. Have you ever seen God make a way for something that seemed impossible?** (Provided money to pay for something; put the perfect person in your path at just the right moment to help solve a problem; brought up an opportunity that you never thought you'd get again, a second time.)
- 3. When we face Prickly Problems, God is there is with us. We can remember to turn to Him first when we get in the practice of it in the easy times. What are ways that you can practice always turning to God for help?** (Start a habit of reading your Bible and memorizing verses that stand out to you. Praying daily, as well as when a difficult moment presents itself. Finding Christian friends to encourage each other when life is prickly.)

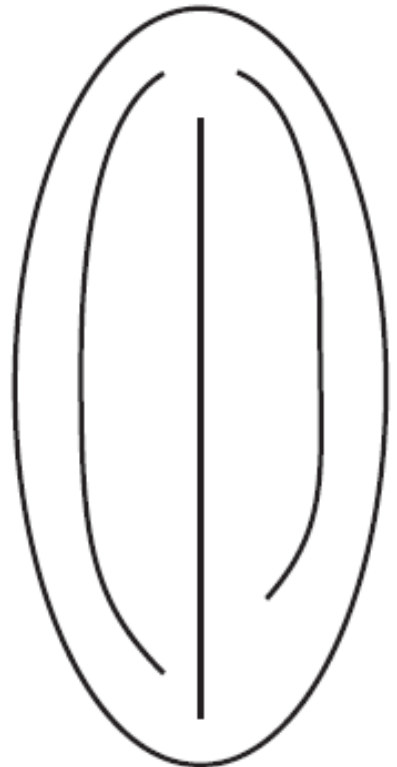
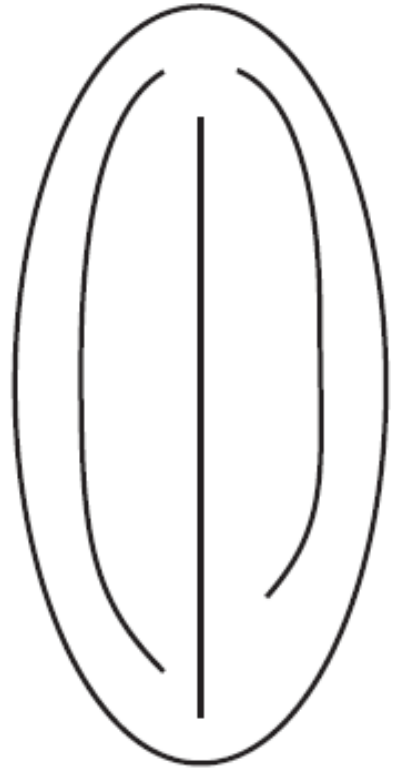
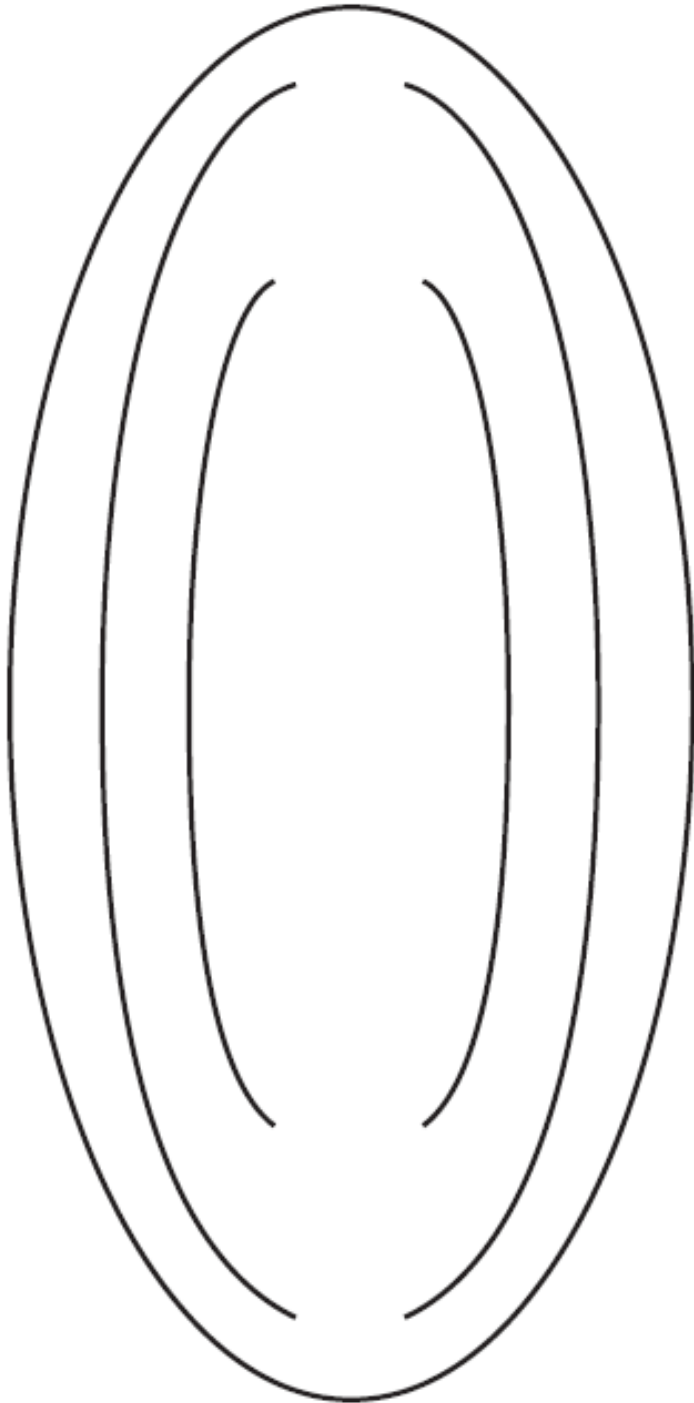
FAMILY PRAYER:

Dear God, thank You that You are always there for us, in the good times, and also when life feels prickly. We know we can count on You. Please help us remember to turn to You for help. In Jesus' name, amen.

OFFERING:

Our offering for the months of July to September is going to a partner church in SE Asia to help farmers with micro-farming of chickens and frogs.





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