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The Israelites were growing stronger, taking care of each other learning how to resist the treatment of the Egyptians. In time, they began to realize that they might be strong enough to overthrow Pharaoh or escape from Egypt. Slowly, slowly, they began to plan a massive escape: an exodus.

Meanwhile, Moshe had grown to be a man. He often roamed around the places where the Hebrews were working. One day, he went out from the palace when he saw an overseer, a slave master, treat a Jewish slave in a cruel way. He made the overseer stop. Moshe knew that he would get in trouble if Pharaoh or anybody in the palace found out that he had defended a Hebrew. He decided the only safe thing to do would be to escape to the desert. Moshe found a group to live with and after some time married Zipporah. He and Zipporah raised a family together and Moshe tried hard to forget about all the problems with the Egyptians and the Hebrews. The problem for Moshe was that he could not forget but he wasn't sure what he could do. Then, one day while he was out tending his sheep, he saw fire coming from a bush. The strange thing was that the branches and leaves of the bush were not burning. Moshe decided that this bush was a symbol that he had to do something, anything, to help the Hebrews. That day he decided to help his people escape from slavery.