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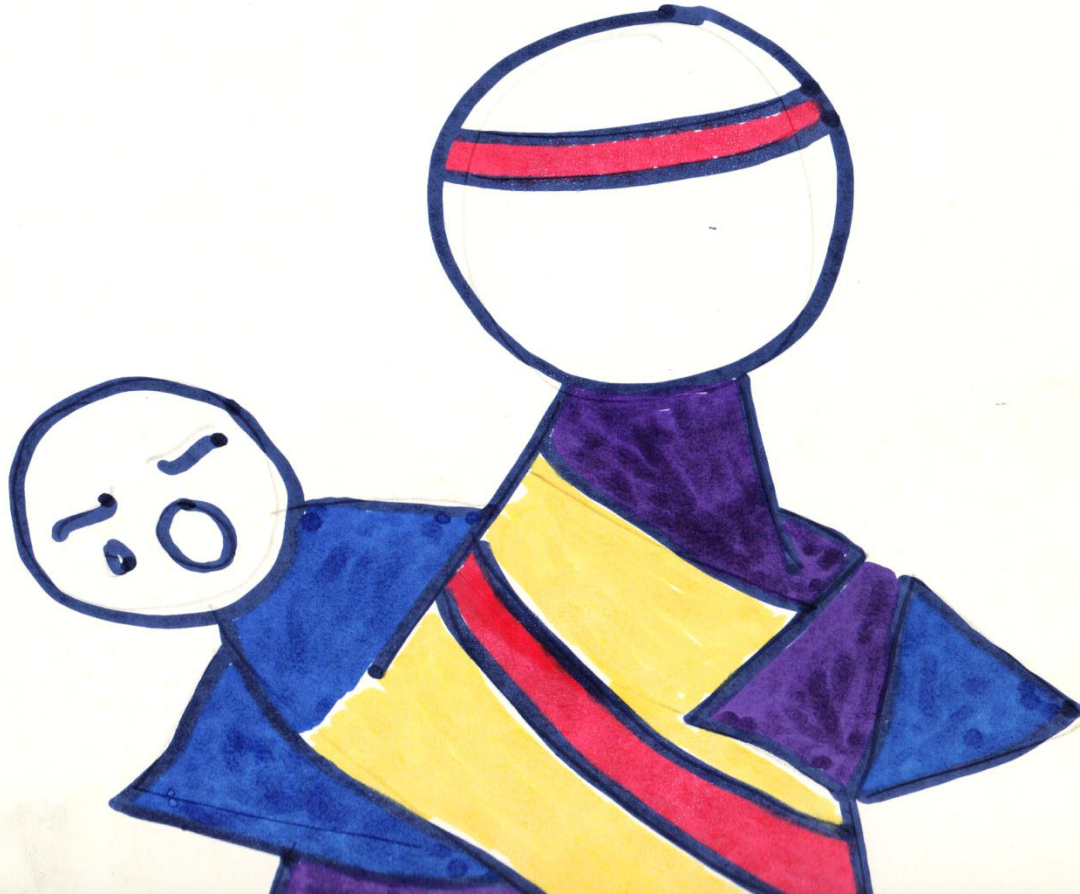
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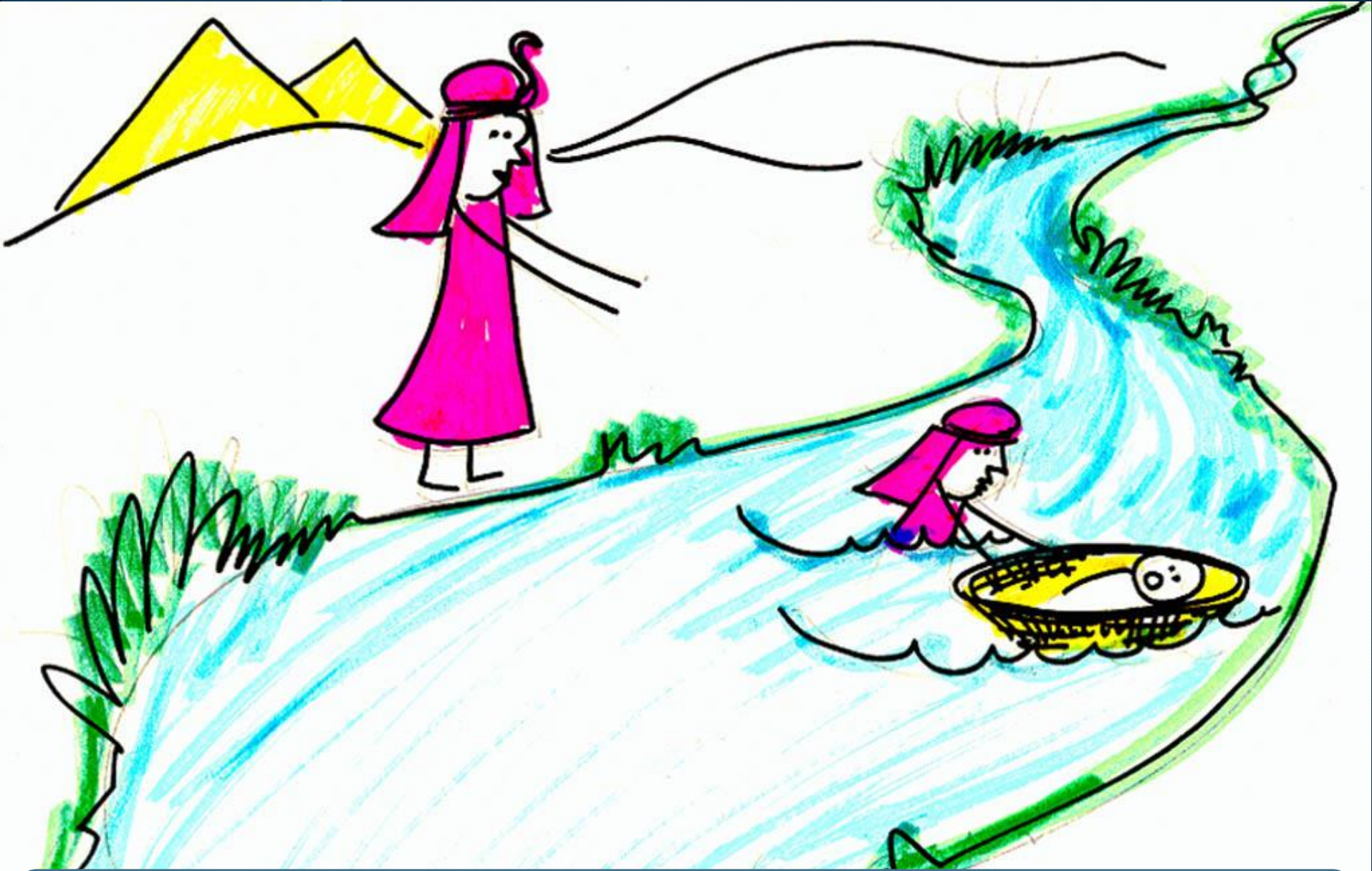


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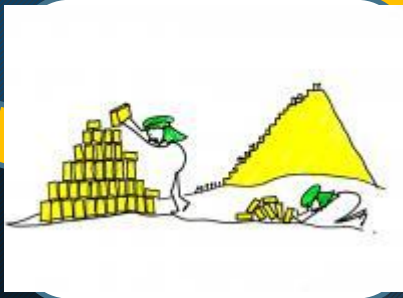
*Then she put the baby in it and set it among the reeds by the bank of the Nile.
She left her daughter, Miriam, to watch from hiding what happened to the baby.*



Miriam went to the Pharaoh's daughter and said, "May I go and get one of the Hebrew women to take care of the baby for you?" The princess said she could so Miriam ran home and got the real mother. So the baby was adopted by the Pharaoh's daughter, but was cared for by his real mother.



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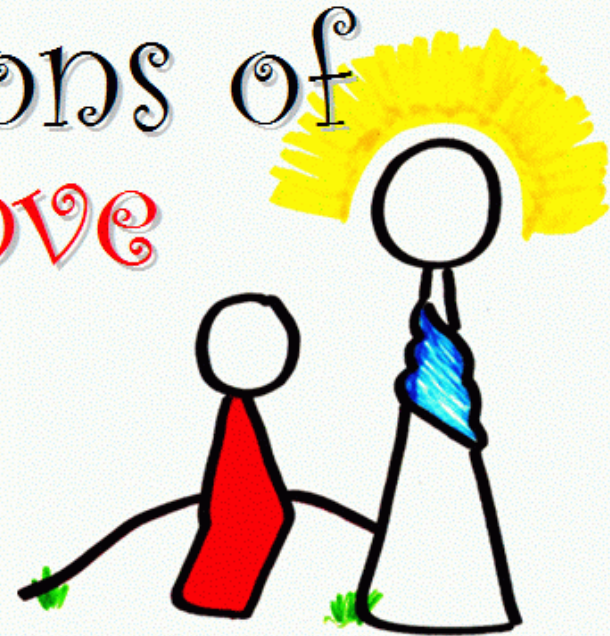
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