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Moses Standing Striking The Rock In Front Of The Israelites, Drawing From The 17th Century



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Signature : Anonyme

Period : 17th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Paper

Length : 29,7

Height : 20

Description

Moses Striking the Rock before the Israelites

Italian School, 17th century

Brown ink and wash on paper.

This composition illustrates an episode from Exodus (17:5-6): while crossing the desert, the people of Israel, overcome by thirst, revolt against Moses. At God's command, Moses strikes the rock with his staff and causes a spring of living water to flow forth, saving the Hebrews. In the center of the page, Moses, identifiable by his long beard, performs the miracle, surrounded by a throng of people holding out containers to collect the water. Around him, men, women, and children express their thirst, while others are

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already drinking. The rich and dramatic composition conveys both the people's distress and the divine power acting through Moses.