

Moses

Exodus 2

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Unit 10 Lesson 1

Supplemental Texts

Exo 1

Focus Verse

“By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.” – Hebrews 11:23

Introduction

After many years had passed, there was a new king in Egypt who did not know Joseph. This Pharaoh, out of fear, could not tolerate the growth of the Israelites, and thus sought to control the growth by oppressing them with hard labor to exhaust them. God foiled the Egyptians' plan and caused the Israelites to increase. At last, Pharaoh made a command to kill all male children.

Deeper Look

She Hid Him Three Months – Exo 2:1-10

Moses was born during a terrible time in Egypt when every male child, like him born, were to be murdered to stop the growth of Israelites. Because he was a beautiful child, his parents hid him (Heb 11:23). When hiding him was no more viable, they made a waterproof basket, put him in it, and placed it among the reeds by the river's bank. Moses was entrusted in God's hands. In all, God was working behind the scenes guiding every move of Moses' mother so that He might save Moses and, hence, deliver the children of Israel. So, Pharaoh's daughter came to the river to bathe and found Moses and had pity on him. With his older sister's help, Pharaoh's daughter hired Moses' mother to nurse and train him. Thus, Moses was adopted by Pharaoh's daughter.

He Went Out Unto His Brethren – Exo 2:11-25

At 40 years of age, Moses, when he refused to be identified as an Egyptian, went to observe the hard work of his brethren (Acts 7:23-25; Heb 11:24-26). Seeing a Hebrew being molested by an Egyptian, he killed the Egyptian. The next day, he saw two Hebrew men fighting, but his shot to arbitrate was met with contempt. When Pharaoh heard that Moses killed an Egyptian, he tried to kill him, but Moses fled to Midian. Now, he could be disappointed that he might not be able to save his brethren. At a well, Moses defended the daughters of Reuel from some shepherds and gave water to their animals. Reuel accepted Moses to live with them, and he gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses in marriage. And the children of Israel cried unto God, and God heard them.

Questions

1. Why was Moses hidden by his mother for three months? Do you think her reason was enough to disobey the king's order? Why, or why not? What virtue helped her to hide her son for that long? Read Heb 11:23.
2. Could there be any challenges that prevented Moses' parents from continuing to hide him? If yes, describe the challenges.
3. Was Moses' sister asked to stand at a distance to watch what would happen to her brother? If no, how did she come up with the idea? What event further proved that Moses' sister was a wise girl? What did you learn from her?
4. How was the hand of God revealed in the deliverance, nursing, and training of Moses? Could the arrangement between Pharaoh's daughter and Moses' mother have occurred by chance? Explain.
5. Moses identified as an Egyptian and a Hebrew. How did he overcome his identity crisis? Can you concurrently identify as a friend of God and a friend of the world? Why, or why not? Read 1 John 2:15-17.
6. List some similarities that exist between Moses and Jesus up to this point in time in the life of Moses.
7. Compare the reception Moses was given by his brethren to the one by Reuel. What is the difference and why? Read Matt 13:57.

Personal Meditation

To exercise faith in God is an act of valor. It means you resolve to execute every instruction given by God as you wait in anticipation of His answer. The Bible in Rom 8:14 says, “For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.” God was totally involved in the story of Moses. He moved Moses’ parents to hide him for three months without regarding the order of the king of Egypt. Disregarding the order of a king is a dangerous thing to do because there is a potential consequence. No wonder Heb 11:23 indicates the virtue they exhibited as God worked out His will in their lives. Be resolved to be led by God. His Spirit will lead you right, even when it is not vivid how the details are going to work out together (Isa 30:21). Just follow Him!

Moses was saved from dying when Pharaoh’s daughter met him. She loved and took him for her son. With his sister’s help, Moses returned to his mother as the king’s daughter had hired his mother to nurse and train him. This could only be God! And Moses, though a Hebrew, became a prince in Egyptian. Ensure you are being led by God so you can have all He has for you.

DAILY STUDY

Monday	Exo 2:1-4
Tuesday	Exo 2:5-8
Wednesday	Exo 2:9-12
Thursday	Exo 2:13-17
Friday	Exo 2:18-22
Saturday	Exo 2:23-25



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