## **Moses Received Wise Advice**

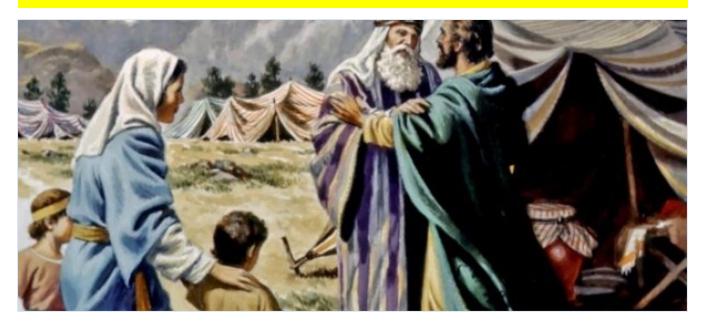
Exodus 18

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#### **Focus Verse**

"So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said." – Exodus 18:24



#### **Closer Look**

Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, a priest of Midian, heard about the great things God had done for Moses and the Israelites. Moses had sent his wife and their sons to stay with Jethro. Jethro brought them back to Moses in the wilderness near the mountain of God. Moses was very happy to see them, welcomed Jethro warmly, and shared all the great things God had done. Jethro praised God for helping the Israelites.

The next day, Jethro saw Moses acting as a judge for the people all day long. Moses explained that the people came to him with their problems, and he decided what was right based on God's instructions. Jethro saw that this was too much for one person, so he advised Moses to teach the people God's laws and choose trustworthy men to help him. These men would lead groups of many people, judging smaller cases while taking difficult ones to Moses. Moses followed Jethro's advice, and it made his job easier and improved things for everyone. From this story, we can learn the importance of sharing responsibilities and listening to good advice.

#### Questions

- 1. How did the nations around hear about Israel's deliverance from Egypt?
- 2. What did Jethro do after Moses told him everything God did for Israel?
- 3. Did the elders of Israel welcome Jethro warmly? Answer with facts.
- 4. What lesson is to be learned from the advice Jethro gave to Moses?
- 5. Did Moses welcome Jethro's suggestion? Explain your answer.

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### Discovery

Vocabulary Search

Find FIVE new words in the Bible text and write their meanings on the line.

#### THINK ABOUT IT!

| Monday    | Exo 18:1-5   |
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| Tuesday   | Exo 18:6-9   |
| Wednesday | Exo 18:10-13 |
| Thursday  | Exo 18:14-18 |
| Friday    | Exo 18:19-23 |
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