The life of Moses (From Egypt to the Edge of the Promised Land)

Exodus and selected verses from Deuteronomy

**LESSON 2 – Moses**

**(Exodus 2:1-3:12)**

**DAY ONE -** Read Exodus 2:1-10 (Moses is Born)

1. a. Looking at verse 1, what house (or tribe) did the parents of Moses come from?

*Answer here*

b. What was the future of this tribe according to Deuteronomy 33:10?

*Answer here*

c. What additional information does Numbers 26:59 give about this family?

*Answer here*

2. What can we know about the faith of these parents from Hebrews 11:23?

*Answer here*

3. After seeing that Moses was *a beautiful child,* what two things did his mother do to keep him safe in Exodus 2:2-4?

*Answer here*

4. What happened when *the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river*?

*Answer here*

5. Briefly describe the incredible arrangement the sister and mother of Moses made with Pharaoh’s daughter for his early upbringing in verses 7-10.

*Answer here*

**EXTRA INFO:** The phrase in Exodus 2:11, *when Moses was grown,* skips over all the details of 40 years of Moses’ life as the adopted son of Pharaoh’s daughter prior to the event which led to his flight into Midian. Stephen fills in some blanks in Acts 7:22-23: *And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and deeds. Now when he was 40 years old, it came into his heart to visit the brethren, the children of Israel.*

**DAYS TWO & THREE -** Read Exodus 2:11-25 (Moses Flees to Midian)

1. How does Hebrews 11:24-26 also help explain why Moses *went out to see his brethren and looked at their burdens when he was grown* in Exodus 2:11?

*Answer here*

2. What did Moses do when he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew in Exodus 2:12?

*Answer here*

3. a. Then what happened in Exodus 2:13-14, *when he went out the second day?*

*Answer here*

b. What did Stephen add to this story in Acts 7:25?

*Answer here*

4. When Moses feared being found out, what did he do in Exodus 2:15?

*Answer here*

5. Read Genesis 25:1-4 to identify the origins of the Midianites.

*Answer here*

6. How did Moses help *the seven daughters of the priest of Midian at the* well in Exodus 2:17?

*Answer here*

7. After hearing their story, how did Reuel (Jethro), react in verses 19-20?

*Answer here*

8. What took place while Moses was *content to live with the man* in verses 21-22?

*Answer here*

9. Then what happened *in the process of time* back in Egypt in verse 23?

*Answer here*

10. When *God heard their groaning*, what did He *hear, remember, look upon, and acknowledge*?

*Answer here*

**EXTRA INFO:** The narrative now skips over the unimportant details of another 40-year period and moves the record quickly from finding a new home and family to the moment when Moses will return to his people in Egypt. In Acts 7:30, Stephen tells us: And *when 40 years had* passed, *an Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire in a bush in the wilderness of Mount Sinai.*

**DAYS FOUR & FIVE -** Read Exodus 3:1-12 (Moses at the Burning Bush)

1. Where did Moses end up as he was tending the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law?

*Answer here*

2. Describe who and what Moses saw in verse 2.

*Answer here*

3. As Moses *turned aside to look* in verse 4, what did God do and how did Moses respond?

*Answer here*

4. What did God say in verses 5-6 that caused Moses to be afraid and hide his face?

*Answer here*

5. Describe the awareness of the LORD in verse 7, concerning His people’s situation?

*Answer here*

6. What was the LORD going to do about His people’s problems according to verses 8-9?

*Answer here*

7. Compare this promise to the promise in the Abrahamic covenant in Genesis 15:18-19.

*Answer here*

8. Then what did the LORD tell Moses in Exodus 3:10, that he didn’t seem ready to hear?

*Answer here*

9. How did Moses respond to these words of the LORD?

*Answer here*

10. What divine promise did God give to Moses in verse 12 that should have quelled his fears?

*Answer here*

**DISCUSSION:** Read Isaiah 6:1-8. What stands out to you about Isaiah’s response when the LORD said: *Whom shall I send, and who will go for US*? How can we respond today to the things we know the Lord wants us to do when they seem too hard? Share some thoughts if you like.

*Answer here*