



Adult Bible Study

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Introduction

Prayer

Don't forget to sign in and take a handout

Review - Genesis

Note about the readings

Exodus- Questions/Discussion, Importance, Christ



Outline for Questions/Discussion

Moses before the Burning Bush

Moses after the Burning Bush

The 10 Plagues of Egypt

Leaving Egypt

Mt. Sinai

God's Initial Instructions



Questions

Why did God confront Moses and his family on his way back to Egypt and want to kill him? (Exodus 4:24-26)

Moses' account – did God really want to kill him?

Moses or his son?

Disobedience (about circumcision)

Message for us



Questions

Why did God harden Pharaoh's heart? Didn't that cause needless suffering? (Exodus 10:1-2 and elsewhere)

Who really hardened Pharaoh's heart? (9 times Exodus says that Pharaoh hardened his own heart, i.e., Exodus 7:14)

Who else needed to learn something from the plagues?

Nobody there was innocent, even the Israelites.



Questions

Why was Pharaoh's magicians able to do "miracles"? Why would God allow that? (Exodus 7:8-13 and other places)

They believed their gods allowed them to perform "miracles," but in fact it was Satan - demonic and occultic activity - and maybe some slight of hand. God did allow it, but even in that, he had a purpose.



Importance

Why is Exodus important?

To the Israelites at Mt. Sinai when Moses wrote it?

To the Israelites thereafter?

To slaves in general (American slaves of the Antebellum South)

To us?



Importance

Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey...

Exodus 3:7-8a



Christ in Exodus

Typology and Prefiguring

Typology – a classification according to general type, the study and interpretation of types and symbols. The Old Testament has individual signs, symbols or types that demonstrate for us concepts illustrated by Jesus. Prefiguring is a form of typology.



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Typology and Prefiguring

Prefigure – to be an early indication or version of something or someone. It's more than just an analogy or comparison: prefiguring shows you what is to come through aspects found in the Old Testament before the arrival of Christ. It points the way to Christ. Though it serves a purpose similar to prophecy, it's not the same as prophecy.



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Typology and Prefiguring

Moses is a type of Christ and prefigures Christ.



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Example of Typography

How is Moses a type of Christ?



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Moses as Type

Strong yet humble, even meek; obedient to God and the Law; served as prophet, priest and king (ruler); special relationship with God (face to face); intercedes and advocates for their people; called to serve their people; chosen by God to deliver their people out of bondage;



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Example of Prefiguring

How does Moses prefigure Jesus?



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Moses as a Prefigure of Christ

In danger by a king at childhood but rescued; performed miracles, some very alike (like feeding the multitudes and controlling the sea); was a shepherd; spent 40 days fasting; served the people; delivers and saves their people; set up processes of leadership and worship; suffers for their people; silent in the face of rejection; dies so their people could enter the Promised Land.



Christ in Exodus

Did you find other examples of Christ in Exodus?

Manna (and quail) from heaven (Exodus 16)

Water from the rock (Exodus 17)



Preview

Next week Fritz will tackle Leviticus

Read, read, read!!

EXODUS