50+ Class – All Saints Presbyterian Church Winter-Spring 2021 Life of Moses

Week 2 - Born in Darkness, Hidden & Found

Introduction

Exodus 2

Now a man from the house of Levi went and took as his wife a Levite woman. ² The woman conceived and bore **a son**, and when she saw that he was a fine child, she **hid him three months**.

Family of Moses

Plan of Jochebed

Exodus 2

³ When she could hide him no longer, she took for him a basket made of **bulrushes** and daubed it with bitumen and pitch. She put the child in it and **placed it among the reeds by the river bank**. ⁴ And his **sister stood at a distance** to know what would be done to him.

⁵ Now the *daughter of Pharaoh* came down to bathe at the river, while her young women walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her servant woman, and she took it. ⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child, and behold, the baby was crying. She *took pity* on him and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children." ⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and call you a *nurse from the Hebrew women* to nurse the child for you?" ⁸ And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Go." So the girl went and called the *child's mother*. ⁹ And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child away and nurse him for me, and I will give you your *wages*." So the woman took the child and nursed him.

Planning & Faith

¹⁰ When the child **grew older**, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he **became her son**. She named him **Moses**, "Because," she said, "I **drew him out of the water**.

God's Sense of Humor

1 Corinthians 1

²⁰ Where is the one who is wise? ... Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ...

Moses' Sense of Self

Psalm 139.13-17

¹³ For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. [a] Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. 17 How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

Overview of Moses Life

Acts 7

20 At this time Moses was born; and he was beautiful in God's sight. And he was brought up for 21 and when he was exposed. Pharaoh's daughter adopted three months in his father's house, ²¹ and when he was exposed, Pharaoh's daughter adopted him and brought him up as her own son. ²² And Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and he was mighty in his words and deeds. ²³ "When he was *forty years old*, it came into his heart to visit his brothers, the children of Israel.

... 30 "Now when *forty years* had passed, an angel appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai, in a flame of fire in a bush.

Deuteronomy 34.7

Moses was 120 years old when he died.

Q & A / Discussion

Next Week: Grown to Flee - Exodus 2

²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.