

**50+ Class – All Saints Presbyterian Church**  
**Winter-Spring 2021**  
**Life of Moses**  
Week 3 – God’s Mission, Not His Methods

**Introduction**

Exodus 2

<sup>11</sup> One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his **people** and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his **people**. <sup>12</sup> He **looked this way and that**, and seeing no one, **he struck down the Egyptian** and **hid him** in the sand. <sup>13</sup> When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, “Why do you strike your companion?” <sup>14</sup> He answered, “Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was **afraid**, and thought, “Surely **the thing is known**.” <sup>15</sup> When **Pharaoh** heard of it, he **sought to kill Moses**. But **Moses fled** from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of **Midian**. And he sat down by a well.

**Extrabiblical Info**

**Rule of *Hermeneutics***

Let Scripture interpret Scripture in light of the whole of Scripture

Acts 7

<sup>22</sup> And Moses was **instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians**, and he was **mighty in his words and deeds**. <sup>23</sup> “When he was **forty years old**, it came into his heart to visit **his brothers**, the children of Israel. <sup>24</sup> And seeing one of them being wronged, he **defended** the oppressed man and **avenged** him by striking down the Egyptian. <sup>25</sup> **He supposed that his brothers would understand that God was giving them salvation by his hand**, but they did not understand. <sup>26</sup> And on the following day he appeared to them as they were quarreling and tried to reconcile them, saying, ‘Men, you are brothers. Why do you wrong each other?’ <sup>27</sup> But the man who was wronging his neighbor thrust him aside, saying, ‘Who made you a ruler and a judge over us?’ <sup>28</sup> Do you want to kill me as you killed the Egyptian yesterday?’ <sup>29</sup> At this retort **Moses fled and became an exile** in the land of Midian, where he became the father of two sons.

**Observations & Questions**

Sometimes God gives us everything we think will bring happiness to show us it doesn't.

Just because it's in your heart/mind, doesn't mean it's from God.

Moses had a sense of God's Mission but not His Methods (or timing).

Moses sought to do God's Will, but didn't seek God or His Way.

Man's ways need hiding, but God's ways don't.

Doing God's will man's way leads to confusion, fear, failure.

### **Moses Foreshadows Christ**

Hebrews 5.8

*Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.*

God will drive us out of our comfort zones to teach us that He is our only comfort.

Hebrews 11.24-27

Q & A / Discussion

Next Week: *Lessons In Midian* – Exodus 2-3