

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, large sand dunes with distinct ridges and shadows are visible. The sky above is a bright, hazy yellow and white, suggesting a sun either rising or setting. The overall atmosphere is vast and arid.

EXODUS

DRAWN OUT & DRAWN IN



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and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them. **8** Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. **9** And he said to his people, "Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. **10** Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land."

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afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses.

12 But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel. **13** So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves **14** and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they

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ruthlessly made them work as slaves. **15** Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, **16** "When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live." **17** But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. **18** So the king of

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Egypt called the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and let the male children live?"

19 The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." **20** So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. **21** And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. **22** Then Pharaoh

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commanded all his people, "Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live."

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I. Context – Backstory

Genesis 46:2 And God spoke to Israel in visions of the night and said, "Jacob, Jacob." And he said, "Here am I." 3 Then he said, "I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for there I will make you into a great nation. 4 I myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again, and Joseph's hand shall close your eyes."

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Proverbs 29:25 The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is safe.

Hebrews 2:14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, **15** and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

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