



Welcome!

SERIES: PLOT TWIST

Today's Message: *She Saw Something in Me*
Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor

PRAYER: Gracious God, we are so grateful that where others see nothing, you see something. You created us for something, with something, to do something. Thank you for empowering others in our lives to recognize and cultivate what you have already put in us. Enable us to be good stewards of your gifts, your grace, and your goodness. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

ICEBREAKER: What movies, shows, stories, have shaped your understanding of the story of Exodus in the Old Testament? Share what you remember about Moses and the people of Israel.

INTRODUCTION: The word Exodus comes from a Greek word that literally means “the road out.” An exodus is a “going out, a departure.” That defines the substance of much of our spiritual journey—it’s about being moved out from one place and into a new one. All spiritual growth has something to do with leaving something behind. It’s about being saved from something, for something. God providentially positions people to aid us along the way. Today, we meet a woman named Jacobeth, a new mother in a situation of crisis. Despite the chaos around her, she saw something special in her new child that moved her out of despair into a perilous posture of hope.

SCRIPTURE: Read Exodus 2 and Hebrews 11:23

DISCUSSION:

1. What stood out in today’s message? What’s one thing you learned? What questions came to mind as you listened to the message today?
2. The story of Exodus opens with slavery. What types of slavery are evident in our world today? What are some ways individuals can be held captive? What systems in society support slavery? In what form?
3. Moses is saved because his mother saw he was “no ordinary child.” What has shaped your understanding of salvation? Has the story for you been individual, collective, or both? How does that perspective shape how your faith is lived out?
4. When we honestly consider our history, there are a lot of ways that America looks more like the Egyptians than the Israelites. Consider: up to 20,000 people are trafficked into the US every year. African Americans five times more likely to be incarcerated than anybody else. Income inequality is the highest it’s been in the last 50 years. We are both captive and captor. We are both the oppressed and the oppressor. What should be our response?

CHALLENGE: Pray about how you can stand in solidarity with the suffering in our community. Vote. Advocate. Give time and resources to causes that matter to you.

SERVE: Pray over Exodus 2 and Hebrews 11:23 this week. Praise God for the people in your life who encouraged you and invested in you. Pause to consider for a moment young people you know who

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could benefit from your investment right now. Listen: when you are quiet before God, it is amazing how clear things become. Respond. Write it down, live it out, give God praise!

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Take this time to share group announcements. Church wide and campus specific announcements can be found at www.myspbc.org. You can also “find, follow and like” our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/myspbc. Turn on your notifications.

CELEBRATIONS: Take this time to share praise reports (e.g. answered prayers, birthdays, anniversaries, promotions).

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAYER: Take this time to share prayer requests. Close with prayer.

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We Care!

A large, solid red heart is positioned behind the text 'We Care!'.

NOTICE: PLEASE BE PATIENT AS WE GRADUALLY REOPEN OUR CAMPUSES IN THE SAFEST MANNER POSSIBLE. As a small group leader, we depend on you to show members that we care. Here's a list of resources to help you.

FOR PRAYER:

CALL: 804.463.2472

EMAIL: prayer@myspbc.org.

FOR COUNSELING:

CALL: 804.643.6177

EMAIL: Barnabas@myspbc.org

TO REQUEST A HOSPITAL VISIT:

CALL: 804.304.3890 (For Emergencies)

EMAIL: ecare@myspbc.org.

TO REQUEST FUNERAL SUPPORT:

CALL: 804.304.3890 (Pastor On Call)

EMAIL: ecare@myspbc.org.

TO FIND A SUPPORT GROUP:

CALL: 804.643.6177

EMAIL: Barnabas@myspbc.org.

TO REQUEST EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE:

CALL: 804.643.4000

EMAIL: emergencyassistance@myspbc.org.

TO CONTACT MY LIFE STAGE PASTOR:

CALL: 804.643.4000 and Press 1 for the Dial By Name Directory

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*GPS is a study guide based on the weekend message. The purpose of this guide is to assist small groups in study.
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