



# Welcome!

*Today's Message: Something Special About Him*  
**Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor**

**PRAYER:** Great God, it's in gratitude for our mothers that we pray today. For all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of producing and protecting us. You sent Christ into the world through a woman, and we thank you. Grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of family and friends as they care for their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of life. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most. In Jesus' name. Amen.

**ICEBREAKER:** Think of one person in your life who saw "something special" in you—share who it is/was and what they did to demonstrate it.

**INTRODUCTION:** Special is what God does. That's the message of Exodus 2. The chapter begins with mothers: one biological, one adoptive and one surrogate all working together given the birth of Moses. Due to Pharaoh's decree of death for Hebrew baby boys, his biological mother had to hide him because she "*saw something special about him.*" She hid him for three months to protect him, but when hiding him was no longer possible, she put him in a covered basket and placed it and him in the Nile River, but more importantly into the hands of God. Something special and amazing was poised to take place.

**SCRIPTURE:** Read Exodus 2:1-10 (MSG)

### **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? What points did you find most insightful? How did the message challenge you?
2. What is the significance of three additional women being referenced so early in the Exodus story? Moses' mother, Moses' sister, and Pharaoh's daughter. What does their being referenced say about God?
3. Consider: God frequently values people that we don't value. Agree or disagree? God has a purpose for you no matter who you are and/or what you have done. Agree or disagree? God frequently brings about His plans in ways that we would never expect or imagine and in some cases, in ways that we may not like or desire. Agree or disagree?
4. Have you ever had a plan that you thought was excellent but then, that plan didn't turn out at all how you envisioned? What did you do? How did you respond?



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5. What do you think Moses' mother saw in him that moved her to do what she did? What does the word courage mean? When you think about courageous individuals, what people first come to mind?

**CHALLENGE:** What is one “a-ha” moment you had in our group discussion today. Note it and write it down. If you applied your learning from this week's message, how would the next week be different for you?

**SERVE:** How is God calling us to live out this message this week? As individuals? As a group?

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Take this time to share group announcements. Church wide and campus specific announcements can be found at [www.myspbc.org](http://www.myspbc.org). You can also “find, follow and like” our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/myspbc](http://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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