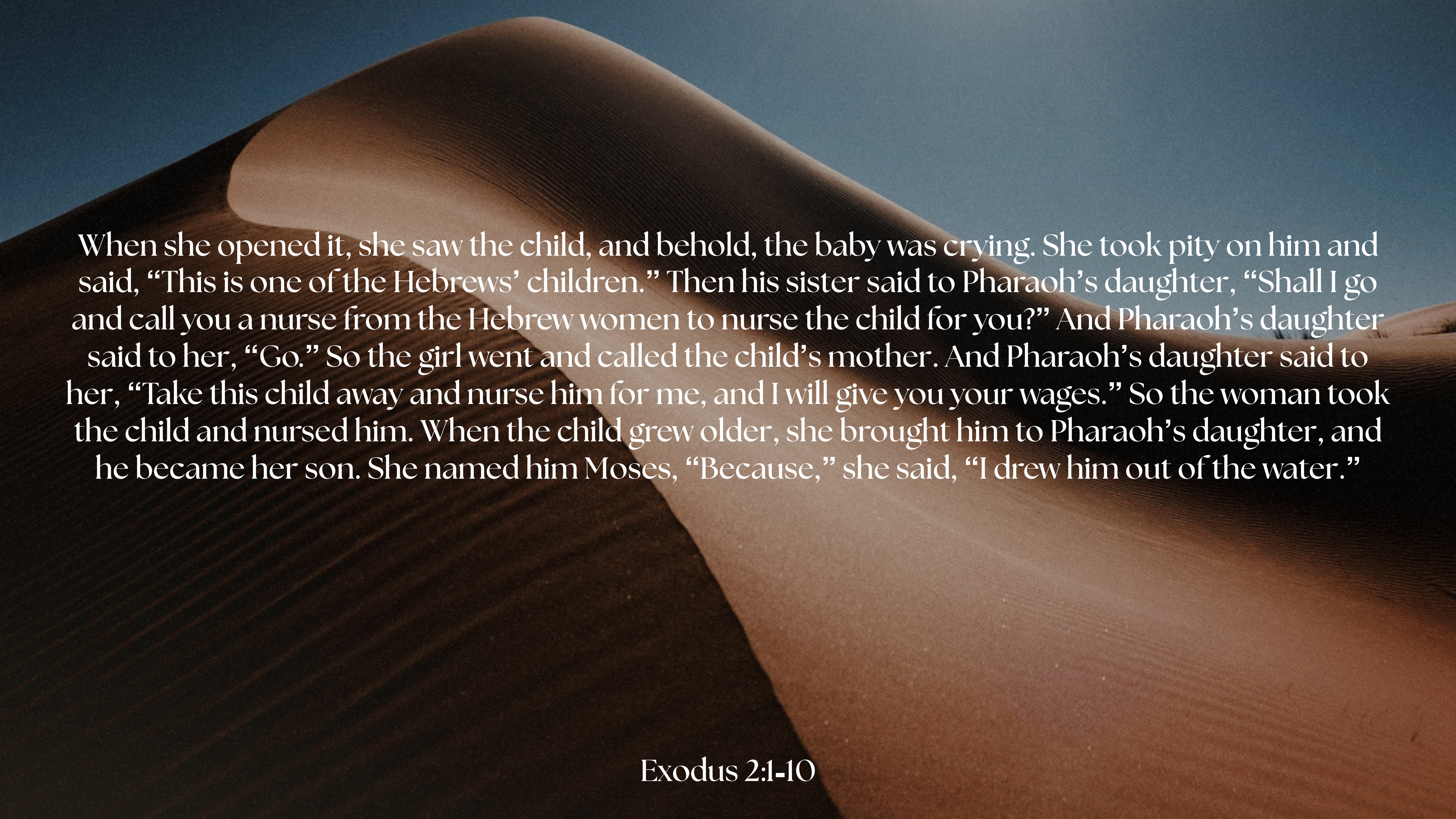


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Exodus 2:1-10



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.” 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?” And Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Go.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. 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. 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.”

Exodus 2:1-10

A desert landscape with sand dunes under a bright sun in a blue sky. The sun is positioned at the top center, creating a lens flare effect. The dunes are in the foreground and middle ground, with their ridges and valleys clearly visible. The sky is a clear, deep blue.

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EXODUS 2:1-10

Verse Breakdown 1-2

- v. 1: In a time of cultural and political chaos, faithful marriage is an act of defiance.
- v. 2: Here, the Hebrew word for “Fine” is the same as when God called his act of creating us “Very Good”.

As Christians, our faith community and our homes are meant to be intertwined. That is why we’re known as God’s “family” - brothers and sisters of The Son, sons and daughters of The Father.

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Hebrews 11:7—

By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

Hebrews 11:23—

By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

Verse Breakdown 3-4

- v. 3: The same faith that saved Noah and his family saved Moses and his Family. (Hebrews 11:7, 23)
- v. 4: Her faith wasn't blind but instead waited patiently and expectantly on the Living God.

Faith is the ultimate submission of our control to God's power, saying "If you don't save me I won't be saved."

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Verse Breakdown 5-8

- v. 5-6: It was not a rebellious act of violence that changed the world, but a rebellious act of compassion.
- v. 7-8: Though initiated by a single person, this act of defiant grace reached fruition through the work of a community.

God's strength is found when he takes "insignificant" acts of mercy and grace and uses them to topple empires.

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Verse Breakdown 9-10

- v. 9: God acted towards Moses' mother with blessings over and above what her faith could conceive.
- v. 10: Moses' name means "Son" in Egyptian and "One who draws out" in Hebrew, marking him with a muddled and confused identity.

Nursed in one home, raised in another, Moses was a man without an identity. That was, until God gave him one.

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. 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."

How then shall we live?

- Make your home a church and your church a home.
- Spending time in God's Word reminds us of what God has done, giving us faith that he is not just able but willing to save us.
- In a world of violence, hate, bitterness, and enmity, a true act of defiance and rebellion comes through the Fruit of the Spirit.
- You will only find your identity in conversation with the one who created you. Spending intentional time with him will form you to be the person he made you to be.
- When the world tries to convince you it's ways our best, remember that Jesus chose the cross to save us and show us how to live.

A photograph of a desert landscape featuring rolling sand dunes. The dunes are illuminated by warm, golden light, likely from a low sun, creating soft shadows and highlighting the ripples in the sand. The sky is a clear, deep blue. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

The Cross of Christ is God's ultimate
conspiracy of compassion.