

FEARLESS FAITH

Moses

Exodus

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MOSES BIRTH

Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, 2 and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. 3 But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. 4 His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him. Exodus 2:1-4 NIV

Pharaoh's daughter found the basket and named the child Moses because he was taken out of the river. Moses was raised and educated as a prince of Egypt.

At the age of 40 he witnesses an Egyptian killing a Hebrew. Moses took justice in his own hands and killed the Egyptian.

When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well. Exodus 2:15 NIV

MOSES IN MIDIAN

Jethro who is a priest of Midian invites Moses to stay with him and Moses marries his daughter Zipporah.

During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God. 24 God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob. 25 So God looked on the Israelites and was concerned about them. Exodus 2:23-25 NIV

MOSES AND THE BURNING BUSH

When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." 5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." 6 Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God. Exodus 3:4-6 NIV

You are important to God. Jesus loved you enough to come into this world and explain to us who God is and to pay for our sins so we would be acceptable in the presence of God.

God said to Moses, "I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I am has sent me to you.'" Exodus 3:14 NIV

God is and has always been. He has no beginning. He is the one who has no rival.

MOSES GIVEN POWERFUL SIGNS

2 Then the Lord said to him, "What is that in your hand?" "A staff," he replied. 3 The Lord said, "Throw it on the ground." Moses threw it on the ground and it became a snake, and he ran from it. 4 Then the Lord said to him, "Reach out your hand and take it by the tail." So Moses reached out and took hold of the snake and it turned back into a staff in his hand. 5 "This," said the Lord, "is so that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has appeared to you." Exodus 4:2-5 NIV

"Because you did not trust in me enough to honor me as holy in the sight of the Israelites, you will not bring this community into the land I give them." Numbers 20:12 NIV

Because of this disobedience Moses did not lead the Israelites into the Promised Land. After dealing with them for 40 years he would die on the mountain looking into the Promised Land and be buried on that mountain.

THE BRONZE SNAKE

The Lord said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." 9 So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, they lived. Numbers 21:8-9 NIV

The bronze snake on the pole is the image of Jesus being raised on a cross for our sins. The story of Moses shows us God can use anyone and/or anything to reveal His power and plan.

We do not live in total obedience to God through our own strength. That is what the Israelites teach us. We are to live by faith.

In God's plan He will always make a way for the people of faith.