

WEEKLY WORSHIP GUIDE



Exodus 2:1-10--July 14th, 2024

Sermon Recap:

The Birth of the Deliverer

I. The Faith of the Family

- Moses' parents were from the tribe of Levi.
 - Levites were set apart for the purpose of caring for and transporting the holy objects and tabernacle.
 - Moses is a man set apart for God's special service.
- His parents hid Moses away for three months, not for fear of man, but in faith to God.
- Not able to hide him any longer, they placed him in a basket and placed him in the Nile. This is another expression of faith, commending Moses to God's care.
- This family is identified and set apart by their faith. They do not unravel or waiver, they submit to God's promises.
- Takeaways:
 - This was a family that did not just profess faith, they practiced faith. If you believe God is sovereign, act like it. You cannot share the gospel with them, telling them that Jesus saves, if you are always trying to save yourself.
 - Moses was only with his mother for a short time. You have a limited amount of time to teach your children that there is a God and salvation is found only in Him. Do not waste it.

II. The Irony of Providence

- In His providence, God works in unexpected ways, using people, places, and events, often in ironic ways, to fulfill His purposes.
 - Moses survives in the river in which he was condemned to die.
 - He is placed in the river at the exact time and place that would lead to being found by Pharaoh's daughter.
 - He is found and adopted by the daughter of the man who condemned him to die.
 - Miriam suggests a Hebrew nurse, taking Moses to his own mother.
 - Jochabed is paid to raise her son at Pharaoh's expense.
 - Moses is educated and trained in Pharaoh's home, preparing him to be the perfect representative and deliverer of God's people.
- God's providence works in the trivial and mundane. It is present and active in the lives of every believer.
- To understand His providence is to understand His sovereignty. We are called to respond to providence by submitting in faith.

III. The Birth of the Child

- Moses is a type, a pointer, a foreshadowing, a hint of the true and final Savior who was yet to come, our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - Born in persecution.
 - Rulers bent on destroying male children to prevent the deliverer from coming.
 - Jesus fled to Egypt to avoid death.
 - Both delivered their people from bondage. But Jesus' redemption is far greater (Heb. 3:1-6).

Discussion Questions:

- What is the significance of Moses' Levite heritage?
- How was Moses described at the time of his birth in verse 2? How do Acts 7:20 and Hebrews 11:23 re-emphasize this?
- What can we learn about the faith of Moses' family from this passage?
- What is providence?
- What do we learn about God's providence and the way He works in situations that appear or feel hopeless from the story of Moses' adoption?
- Read Acts 7:22. What were the beneficial outcomes of being adopted by Pharaoh's daughter? How was that part of God's providence?
- What can we learn about how God operates in His providence from this passage?
- How does the birth of Moses point us to the New Testament?

Application:

- What challenge and encouragement can I draw from by examining the actions of faith as demonstrated by Moses's birth mother?
- Are you and/or your family identified by you faith?
- How much time/energy do you spend imparting your faith to your children? What distractions are in the way?
- Spend time in prayer and meditations pondering the ironies of God's providence. How can understanding providence increase your faith?
- Are you trusting Christ as your Deliverer?

