

## Major Event: EXODUS

### Lesson 2: The Birth and Training of Moses

#### Scripture: Exodus Chapter 2

#### Central Text: Exodus 2:24

24 “So God heard their groaning; and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.”

#### Suggested Subjects for Teacher to Cover:

Moses received three types of training:

##### Home Training

- Moses is raised in Pharaoh’s palace.
- Moses is retrieved out of the Nile by Pharaoh’s daughter at infancy.
- Moses is raised in the palace of Egypt.
- Major irony: Pharaoh tries to oppose God’s plan by killing the Hebrew boys, and ends up raising Moses for Yahweh at his own expense (feeds him, educates him, and pays his mother to keep him).
- Moses chooses to align with God’s plan for the nation Israel (Heb 11:23-27)

##### Egyptian Training

- God trained Moses through the Egyptian system in mathematics, architecture, and military strategy (Moses still had to learn how to rely on God).
- Acts 7:22 “Moses was educated in all the learning of the Egyptians, and he was a man of power in words and deeds.”

##### Wilderness Training

- Moses would learn from God in the same location that God would later use for the nation (40 years in the wilderness).
- God can train and use His servants wherever He chooses. He raised Joseph in the desert to use him in a palace and raised Moses in a palace to use Him in a desert.
- Moses’ spent 40 years in the palace and 40 years in the wilderness before his 40 years of service. Spiritual maturity requires some element of time. God allowed Moses to mature spiritually before using him mightily to lead Israel 40 years in the wilderness.
- God uses His people in all kinds of ways and circumstances to bring glory to Himself, and there is no universal set pattern for who God can use:
  - Abraham was called out of a pagan background in Ur and eventually received the title “friend of God”.
  - Rahab the harlot was used to protect the Jewish spies in Jericho, a woman who was included in the genealogy of Jesus Christ.
  - God took David the shepherd and raised him to king over Israel and the “shepherd” of God’s flock.
  - God took Peter, a fisherman by trade, a believer who would even deny Jesus three times, and made him into “a fisher of men” and one who would be willing to lay down his life for the Lord.
  - The apostle Paul was one of the worst persecutors of the church of Jesus Christ that ever lived, and God used him and turned him into one of the greatest servants that ever lived.
- The prophet Moses becomes a pattern or type that foreshadows Jesus Christ, the greater Prophet than Moses (Deut. 18:15-19). The truth given through God’s authorized servants must be obeyed.

#### Suggested Attributes and Characteristics of God:

Omniscience: God knows what’s best in the training of His servants.

Veracity (Absolute Truth and Faithfulness): God remembered His covenant with His people - 2:24.

#### Suggested Reading for Parents and Child at Home:

Acts 7 gives a good review of this time period.

Hebrews 13:5 - God never forsakes His people.