

Pastor Scott's Week 3 Notes

Fellowshipped a bit longer than normal- good thing

Talked privately about mentoring one in the group

Opened with goals:

Bible reading challenge- accountability

Gospel convo testimonies- great time of sharing simplicity of taking opportunities

Shared the story, (read the story in sections according to the questions)

1. (Verses 1-10) Why was the child in hiding?
2. What do you think was the expected outcome of the baby?
 - Death by gators?
 - Faith that God was going to rescue? (have someone read Hebrew 11:23)
3. How did God rescue the baby?
4. (Verses 11-15) From this passage, what kind of man was Moses?
 - Protector?
 - Murderer?
5. Why did Moses murder the Egyptian? What was his motivation?
 - After they had some time to answer, have them read Acts 7:23-29 and ask if this changes their answer?
6. Why did Moses question the motives of the two Hebrews struggling together the very next day?
 - possible answer: Why would you let anger get the best of you two, you are family?
 - If the answers of this reveals more about Moses heart (hypocrisy), consider asking again, "Why did Moses murder the Egyptian? What was his motivation? (See Acts 7:23-29)
7. What does this passage say about our "hidden sins"?
 - Someone always knows
8. Why was Moses afraid?
 - Not because he sinned, but that he got caught!
9. (Verses 16-22) How did Moses' life begin?
 - Rescued by the most prominent family in the world

10. What event totally changed his life up to this point?

- He murdered someone

11. What is his life now?

- See verse 22
- Sojourner (visitor) in a foreign (unknown) land

12. What kind of character do you see in Moses while in the wilderness?

- Standing up for and saving the women from the shepherds
- Watering their flock for them
- Content to dwell with the Midianite family

13. How well do you handle it when life doesn't go the way we planned?

14. Where do we see God in this story?

- Possible answer: not yet (not until verses 23-24)
- Moses' story is not over, but let's just sit in this moment, a moment we may be experiencing
- God was preparing Moses for leadership and rescuing His people
- God humbled Moses to make him a great leader

Tonight's takeaway: What does this passage teach us?

- Doesn't matter where you begin, your decisions can derail you
- Your decisions can be well-meaning, but if sinful, it will have consequences
- How do you handle change of life circumstances?
- Do you trust God is good/sovereign even when He is silent?
- Other?

Prayer for each other and closed

Sticky Question(s): Not for small group, just for me to personally study)

Why did the baby's mother put the baby in the river?

Why would the sister follow along to see his fate? Sounds rough, unless...it was a plan to rescue?

What was Moses' age when he left Egypt? 40 years (Acts 7:23)

How long was Moses sojourning? 40 years (Acts 7:30, Exodus 7:7)