

(Exodus 2)
“A Break Through In Faith”

NOTE TAKERS...

- I've titled this message: **“There's A Purpose In The Process”**
 - (Exodus 2:1-25) NKJV

~ INTRO ~

LAST WEEK... AS WE STARTED (Exodus)...

- We learned how God's redemption story...
 - Moves out of (Genesis) and into the next phase.
- We learned that 70-people (Israel)...
 - Turned into 2-million people +/-

AND TODAY...

- We're getting more details about the man God will us next – Moses.

HERE'S A FEW OBSERVATIONS:

IDEA #1 – THE CONDITIONS AT MOSES' BIRTH (vv.1-10)

National forced birth control of Hebrew boys (kill them all).

- Every new born Hebrew boys...
 - Was to be thrown into the Nile River.
 - (Neighbor turning on neighbor)

THE BIBLE TELLS US MOSES HAS TWO SIBLINGS'.

- Miriam an older sister (10-yr old at this point)...
 - AND Aaron an older brother.

NOW... A LITTLE ABOUT MOSES.

- His faith story... started with his parents.
 - (Heb. 11:23-27) NLT

*If you want to dig a little deeper on Moses life...

- Stephen gives more details in (Acts 7:20-41).

AND FINALLY...

- Pharaoh's daughter... is the one who named Moses...
 - Which in Hebrew carries the idea of being “drawn out.”

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- Because Moses was taken out of the Nile River.

IN OTHER WORDS...

- The events surrounding Moses life were NOT an accident!
 - God had a plan to bring redemption from this remarkable story...
 - AND... **draw His people out of Egypt.**

IDEA #2 – THE WRONG MOVES (vv.11-14)

BIBLE COMMENTATORS...

- Often bundle Moses life in three blocks of time:
 - His first 40-years
 - His middle 40-years
 - And his last 40-years

THE FIRST 40-YEARS OF MOSES LIFE...

- Was spent in the courts of Pharaoh...
 - Where he was given the best education...
 - And practical skills according to the Egyptians.
 - (Acts 7:22) NLT

SO... MOSES HAD...

- 40 years of privileges as a prince.
 - And in his own ability Mose tried to lead Gods people.

BUT HIS MISTAKE...

- Was similar to what we do.
 - He tried to do the work of God in the strength of human wisdom!
 - And it was NOT what God wanted.

IN... MOSES' **SELF-EFFORT**...

- He killed ONE of the Egyptian oppressors.

HOWEVER...

- When he did it God's way, God buried the entire Egyptian Army...
 - In the Red Sea.

MOSES LOOKED LEFT & RIGHT...

- Before he killed the oppressor...
 - But he forgot to look up.

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IDEA #3 – MORE TRAINING NEEDED (vv.15-25)

THIS BEGINS THE SECOND 40-YEARS OF MOSES LIFE.

- Moses ran to the desert in fear (v.14).
 - But he didn't know... that this place of struggle (Midian)...
 - Was going to be the school where God prepared him to lead.
- God allowed Moses to remain in the desert for 40-years.

I BELIEVE...

- That growing Christians hit the resistance of Satan...
 - And God uses it / allows it... in the believers...
 - To keep the right tension!
 - Because it ensures we rely upon God...
 - And not our own strength.

NOW...

- God gave Moses three jobs to teach & develop him.
 - (Shepherd / husband / father).

(Rom 10:2) NLT

- Enthusiasm without God's knowledge is misdirected zeal.

NEXT WEEK...

- We will see Moses in leadership.

FOR NOW... LET'S CONSIDER **A FEW CLOSING LESSONS:**

- a) Learning to follow God...
 - Transformation of life (2 Cor. 5:17) NLT
 - Transformation of will (Phil 2:13) NLT
 - Transformation of thought (Rom 12:2) NLT
- b) Learning God's ways
 - (2 Peter 3:18) NLT
- c) Learning God's timing
 - (Proverbs 19:2-3) NLT

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~ IN CLOSING ~

LET'S REMEMBER...

- That the ways of God are above our ways... (Isa. 55:9).
 - They're better than we can envision!

GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE!

- But we need to allow Him to unfold it...
 - Thru the seasons & lessons of life.
 - So that we may be useful in the Masters hands.

AMEN!