



## Lesson 38

# The Birth of Moses

### Story Elements

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Text:</b> Exodus 1:1-2:10</li><li>• <b>Setting:</b> approx. 1530 B.C. in Egypt</li><li>• <b>Characters:</b> Pharaoh's daughter, Moses, Miriam, Amram, and Jochebed</li><li>• <b>Plot:</b> Baby Moses is entrusted to the</li></ul> | <p>Providence of God and finds a home in Egyptian royalty.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Key word(s):</b> " _____ "</li><li>• <b>Climax:</b> "And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him." (Exo. 2:4)</li></ul> |
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### Growing Nation

1. In Gen. 15:13-14, God told Abraham in a vision that his offspring would sojourn in a strange land and be afflicted. This vision was fulfilled between the lives of \_\_\_\_\_ and Moses when Jacob's family was providentially led down to Egypt through the events of Joseph's life. (Exo. 12:41; Gal. 3:17)
2. During a famine, Jacob's clan found refuge in Egypt by God's providential working through Joseph. They came to Egypt with \_\_\_\_\_ people (Gen. 46:26 – 70 people if you count Jacob, Joseph and his two sons).
3. About 270 years after the death of Joseph, a "new king" came to power in Egypt. The phrase "new king" doesn't just announce a different one from before, but an altogether new dynasty.
  - a. The new Pharaoh "knew not \_\_\_\_\_" (Exo. 1:8) meaning he was either deliberately neglectful of Joseph's contribution or he was oblivious of the Hebrew's Egyptian legacy.
  - b. Fearful of the growing strength of the Hebrews, the new Pharaoh enacted two evil policies:
    - i. (1:11-14) He forced the Hebrews into \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. (1:15-22) He required the execution of all \_\_\_\_\_ Hebrew children
      1. Pharaoh commanded the Hebrew midwives (Shiphrah and Puah) to kill all male children as soon as they were born, but the midwives feared \_\_\_\_\_, so they refused to obey Pharaoh. The nation of Israel continued to grow.
      2. In response, Pharaoh commanded all the people to destroy any male Hebrew infant. Under such a policy, \_\_\_\_\_ was born.

### Goodly Child

4. Moses' parents (Amram and Jochebed) saw that he was a "goodly child." Matthew Henry explains, "They fancied he had a lustre in his countenance that was something more than human and was a specimen of the \_\_\_\_\_ of his face afterwards (Ex. 34:29)."
5. They hid the child for three months – this was an act of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Heb 11:23** *By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.*

6. When it was no longer possible to keep the baby hidden, Jochebed constructed an ark of bulrushes, placed Moses inside, and put him afloat near the river's brink. Big sister \_\_\_\_\_ kept close

