

# THE BOOKS OF MOSES: EXODUS 1-18

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## I. Genesis Review

## II. Introduction to Exodus

*<sup>7</sup>But the people of Israel were fruitful and increased greatly; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them. - Ex. 1:7*

### Why study Exodus?

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"...a complete understanding of the gospel requires a knowledge of the exodus" -  
D. A. Carson

### III. Exodus Chapter Overview

**Theme #1:** Exodus is the fulfillment of God's promise to the patriarchs he would make their descendants a great nation.

1) Offspring

2) Land

*<sup>17</sup> and I promise that I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey.” - Ex. 3:17*

3) Blessing

*<sup>5</sup>The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring out the people of Israel from among them.” - Ex. 7:5*

#### Chapters 1 & 2

*<sup>23</sup> During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. <sup>24</sup> And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. <sup>25</sup> God saw the people of Israel—and God knew. - Ex 2:23-25*

### **Chapter 3**

**Theophany** - A theophany is an appearance of God, an intense manifestation of the presence of God that is accompanied by an extraordinary visual display

*<sup>2</sup>And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." <sup>4</sup>When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>5</sup>Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." <sup>6</sup>And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God - Ex. 3:2-6*

### **Who are you God? (3:13)**

*<sup>13</sup>Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM."<sup>[a]</sup> And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you.'" -Ex. 3:13*

### **Chapter 4**

*<sup>21</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt, see that you do before Pharaoh all the miracles that I have put in your power. But I will harden his heart, so that he will not let the people go"<sup>22</sup> Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the LORD, Israel is my firstborn son'- Ex. 4:21-22*

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"To know Jesus as Savior is to know God as Father, and the exodus teaches us what kind of Father he is. He is not like human fathers, with all their failings. Rather, he is a good Father, always faithful to his children. In his tender compassion he cares for them and rescues them from every danger". - Phil Rykin

**Chapters 5-18** // Who is the Lord and why should I obey him? (5:2)

*<sup>2</sup>But Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice and let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, and moreover, I will not let Israel go." -Ex. 5:2*

## **IV. The Plagues**

**Theme #2:** Yahweh makes His glory known

The First Plague: Water Turned to Blood // Chapter 7

*"In order to understand these plagues we need to understand that they were directed against the gods and goddesses of Egypt and were intended to show the superiority of the God of Israel to the Egyptian gods. There were about eighty major deities in Egypt, all clustered about the three great natural forces of Egyptian life: the Nile river, the land, and the sky. It does not surprise us, therefore, that the plagues God sent against Egypt in this historic battle follow this three-force pattern. The first two plagues were against the gods of the Nile. The next four were against the land gods. The final four plagues were against the gods of the sky, culminating in the death of the firstborn." -James Boice*

The Final Plague: Passover // Chapters 11-12

*11 The LORD said to Moses, "Yet one plague more I will bring upon Pharaoh and upon Egypt. Afterward he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will drive you away completely. - Ex. 11:1*

1) God's almighty power

2) God's jealousy

3) God's divine justice

4) God's divine mercy

- To Israel

- To us

The Red Sea // Chapter 14

Why did God part the waters of the Red Sea?

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