

Moses: An Example of God's Workmanship
When God Works Under the Radar:
Being Trained & Prepared For All
That We'll Face In The Future!

—Exodus 2:11–3:22 with other supporting passages

The MAIN IDEA From Today's Study:

If we are dedicated & devoted disciples of Christ, we
we can REST in the REALITY that God is
FAITHFULLY PREPARING us for EVERYTHING
we will EXPERIENCE in the FUTURE!

- “Let me encourage you to take those ‘if onlys’ and draw a circle around them. Then label the circle, “The providence of God.” The Christian believes that God is greater than our ‘if onlys.’ His providential hand encompasses the whole of our lives, not just the good days but the ‘bad’ days, too. We have the word ‘accident’ in our vocabulary; He does not.” — Erwin W. Lutzer
- “It should come as no surprise that the God who supernaturally created the universe should choose at times to supernaturally intervene in it. Divine providence is God’s preserving His creation, operating in every event in the world, and directing the things in the universe to His appointed end for them.” —John MacArthur
- “God’s providence is His constant care for and His absolute rule over all His creation for His own glory and the good of His people. We may say that this involves God’s orchestrating all events and circumstances in the universe for His glory and the good of His people (Romans 8:28).” —Jerry Bridges
- “Father, help us to rest our heads on the soft pillow of Your Providence. —Alistair Begg

OTHER RELATED BIBLE PASSAGES

—Romans 8:28

But we can know with confidence that God orchestrates all things to fit together for what’s best for those who love God, who are called according to his perfect plan and purpose.

—Hebrews 11:24–26

24 By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, 25 choosing rather to endure suffering with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, 26 For he considered the reproach because of the Messiah to be greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, since his attention was on the reward.

—**QUESTIONS TO HELP US SEE HOW THIS WILL RELATE TO US:**

- How often do we see God at work in the everyday events that we experience?
- How often do we look back at events we experienced in the past and see how God was working to guide, guard, or prepare us for what we currently are facing or previously have faced?
- How frequently do we sense that God is speaking to us from what we read in the pages of His Word?

—) **Focusing on Exodus 2:11–3:22**

—1— **When Moses _____ to be identified as an Egyptian.**

{Exodus 2:11; Acts 7:23; Hebrews 11:24–26}

- He left the palace to observe the hard labor of **his people**.
- Hebrews 11:24, “He refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter.”

—2— **When Moses tried to _____ a Hebrew laborer.**

{Exodus 2:11–15; Acts 7:24–29}

- He saw an Egyptian taskmaster beating a Hebrew.
- He looked to see who was watching & he killed the Egyptian.
- The next day, he tried to settle a dispute between 2 Hebrews.
- One of them asked if he was going to kill him like yesterday.
- When Pharaoh heard what took place, he tried to kill Moses.
- Moses fled from Egypt because his actions were known.

—3— Moses became a _____ in the foreign land of Midian.

{Exodus 2:15–22; Acts 7:29}

- Some women at the well met Moses, the **refugee–rescuer!**
- They were the daughters of the priest of Midian who came to get some water from the well where Moses was sitting.
- Some shepherds came and pushed them out of the way.
- But Moses rescued them from the shepherds and even helped them water their flock!**
- Arriving home sooner than normal, their father asked, “Why?”
- They told about what Moses had done for them.
- He invited Moses for supper, then for lodging, & then offered his daughter, Zipporah to become Moses’ wife.
- She gave birth to a son, named Gershom.
- Moses gave his son the name, Gershom.**
This name meant, “I’m a refugee in a foreign land.”

—4— When Moses began to _____ God is always aware.

{Exodus 2:23–25; Genesis 15:1–16, especially verses 13–14; Hebrews 11:27}

- Under the inspiration of God’s Spirit, Moses wrote this!
- God was watching what was happening to the Israelites.
- God told Abram about slavery in Egypt 400 years before.**

—5— Moses _____ his sandals in _____ for God!

{Exodus 3:1–6; Acts 7:30–34}

- Moses was pasturing Jethro’s sheep & he led them to Mt. Horeb.
- The Angel of the Lord appeared in a flame of fire in a bush.
- Burning bushes in the desert were common, but this was not a common ordinary burning bush! It wasn’t being consumed!
- Moses turned to inspect this marvelous sight!
- God called out, “Moses, Moses!” —Moses replied, “Here I am!”
- The Lord warned, “Don’t come any closer. Remove your sandals for the place where you are standing is holy ground.”
- He continued, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob!”
- Then Moses hid his face, for he was fearful to look at God!”

—6— Moses _____ his ***special mission*** from God!

—Moses _____ by expressing personal insecurity!

—God _____ Moses with a promise & a sign!

{Exodus 3:7–12} 7 The Lord said, “I have observed the misery of My people in Egypt, and heard their cries because of their oppressors, and I know about their sufferings. 8 **I have come down to rescue them** from the power of the Egyptians and **to bring them from that land to a good and spacious land**, a land flowing with milk and honey—the (promised) territory.... 9 The Israelites’ cry has come to Me, also I have seen how the Egyptians are oppressing them. 10 Therefore, go! I am sending you to Pharaoh so that you may lead My people, out of Egypt.” 11 **But Moses asked God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh to bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”** 12 **He promised, “I will certainly be with you, and this will be the sign to you that I have sent you: when you bring the people out of Egypt, you will all worship God at this mountain.”**

—7— Moses _____, “How do I identify You to them?”

—God _____ Himself & affirmed His ***ETERNAL EXISTENCE!***

{Exodus 3:13–17} 13 Then Moses said, “Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you.’ Now they may say to me, ‘What is His name?’ What shall I say to them?” 14 God said to Moses, “**I AM WHO I AM**”; and He said, “Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, ‘**I AM** has sent me to you.’” 15 God explained to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. ***This is My name forever, and this is My memorial-name to all generations.*** 16 Go and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, has appeared to me,’ saying, ‘I am indeed concerned about you and what has been done to you in Egypt. 17 So I said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the (promised) land ... to a land flowing with milk and honey.’”

—8— God _____ Moses about the promises to Abraham.

{Exodus 3:18–22; Genesis 15:14}

- When you go to Pharaoh, he will not cooperate!
- But I will strike the Egyptians and you won’t leave empty-handed.