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MORNING MESSAGE

“Three Women and a Baby”

Exodus 2:1-10

INTRODUCTION

- A. Exodus is one of the most exciting books in the Bible
  - 1. The name “Exodus” means “the way out” or “the outgoing”
  - 2. It tells the story of how God delivered His people from Egyptian bondage
  - 3. The time lapse between the last verse of Genesis (50:26) and the first verse of Exodus (1:1) is 400 years
    - a. The Hebrew people had grown from a family of 70 (Exodus 1:5) to a nation of 2-3 million
- B. Exodus is the book of redemption; it is an illustration of how God delivers people from sin
  - 1. Dr. Jerry divides the book into three sections
    - a. The first section is salvation (Chapters 1-12)
    - b. The second section is separation (Chapters 13-18)
    - c. The third section is sanctification (Chapters 19-40)
  - 2. The large population of Israelites were a threat to the King of Egypt (Pharaoh)
    - a. Exodus 1:8-10, “Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph. And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we: Come on, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land”
  - 3. Pharaoh devised a wicked plan for reducing the population of Israelites
    - a. First, he tried to work them to death (1:11-14)
    - b. Second, he tried to get the Hebrew midwives to kill the baby boys when they were born (1:15-20)
    - c. Third, he told the Egyptians to throw every Hebrew baby boy into the Nile River (1:22)
- I. THE PROTECTOR (vv.1-3)
  - A. The protector is a woman named Jochebed
    - 1. In the text she is called “a daughter of Levi”
    - 2. She is named in Exodus 6:20, “And Amram took him Jochebed his father’s sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses”
  - B. The conception (vv.1-2a)
    - 1. Acts 7:20 says he was “exceedingly fair”
    - 2. Psalm 127:3-5, “Children are an heritage of the Lord: and fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them”
  - C. The courage (vv.2b-3)
    - 1. Hebrews 11:23, “By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king’s commandments”

- II. THE PROVIDER (vv.4,7)
  - A. The provider is a woman (girl) named Miriam
    - 1. In the text she is called “his sister”
    - 2. She is named in Exodus 15:20, “And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand”
    - 3. She was the oldest of the siblings: Miriam, Aaron, and Moses
  - B. The visual provision (v.4)
    - 1. Psalm 34:15, “The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry”
  - C. The verbal provision (v.7)
- III. THE PRINCESS (vv.5-6, 8-10)
  - A. The princess is Pharaoh’s daughter
    - 1. She is the unnamed woman in the story
    - 2. The text says she “came down”
    - 3. Her life is a testimony is that God uses all people to accomplish His will
  - B. The compassion of the princess (vv.5-6)
  - C. The care of the princess (vv.8-10)
    - 1. Hebrews 11:24-26, “When he came to years, he refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season: esteeming the reproach of Christ greater than the treasures of Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward”
    - 2. Proverbs 22:6, “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it”