

The Exodus

A. From Abraham to Moses

- a. Abraham had Ishmael by Hagar and Isaac by Sarah (Gen 16)
- b. Isaac had twins, Esau and Jacob, by Rebekah (Gen 25)
- c. Jacob (Israel) had twelve sons and a daughter by Leah, Rachel, Zilpah, and Bilhah (Gen 29 - 30)
- d. Israel's twelve sons became the tribes of Israel
- e. Joseph, one of Israel's sons, became a mighty leader in Egypt (Gen 39 - 41)
- f. Because of a terrible famine, Israel and his family of 70 migrated to Egypt because God had given Joseph the foresight to store up grain before the famine came (Gen 46 - 47)

B. Oppression and Infanticide in Egypt

- a. enslavement of ethnic Hebrews (Ex 1.8-14)
- b. genocide (infanticide) (Ex 1.15-17, 22)
- c. Moses born, abandoned, and raised by Pharaoh's daughter (Ex 2.1-10)
- d. At 40, Moses commits murder (Ex 2.11-15)

C. Moses: God's Man to Lead the People

- a. introduction to Jethro's daughters, marriage to Zipporah (Ex 2.16-22)
- b. cry for help to God is heard (Ex 2.23-25)
- c. shepherding: a humbling job (Ex 3.1)
- d. Moses meets God, the call from the burning bush (Ex 3.1-12)
 - i. What if....they ask what your name is? (Ex 3.13-15)
 - ii. What if...won't believe me?(Ex 4.1-4)[staff, hand, blood]
 - iii. But...I can't speak well (Ex 4.10-12) [who made the mouth]
 - iv. Please, just send someone else (Ex 4.13-17) [take Aaron]
- e. Get the people on board with "operation liberation" (Ex 4.29-31)
- f. Ask Pharaoh to be released (Ex 5.1-5) [a colossal failure]
- g. Oppression worsens (no straw for making bricks, same quota) (Ex 5.6-19)
- h. Loss of people's support due to hard labor (Ex 5.20-23)

- i. Moses complains to God but God reiterates liberation promises (Ex 5.22-23; 6.1-8)
Moses tells his people God will deliver but they wouldn't listen (Ex 6.9)
- j. God says, "go and tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go" (6.10-11)
- k. Moses, "how will Pharaoh listen to me if even the Israelites do not listen?" (Ex 6.12)
- l. God encourages Moses to speak through Aaron and promised liberation (Ex 7.1-5)
- m. Moses obeyed, he was 80 and Aaron was 83 (Ex 7.6-7)
- n. Aaron did the staff>snake trick and the sorcerers returned the favor (Ex 7.8-13)

D. The Ten Plagues

- a. Purpose of the ten plagues
 - i. that all would know that Yahweh is God
 - 1. remember Pharaoh's question? "Who is Yahweh that I should obey his voice?"
 - ii. that all would know the power of Yahweh
 - iii. to rescue his people so they could worship him
- b. River turned to blood (Ex 7.20-22)
- c. Frogs (Ex 8.1-2, 6-7)
- d. Gnats/Lice (Ex 8.17-19)
- e. Swarms of flies (Ex 8.20-24)
- f. Cattle plague (Ex 9.6-7)
- g. Boils (Ex 9.8-11)
- h. Hail (Ex 9.23-26)
- i. Locusts (Ex 10.7, 12-15)
- j. Darkness for three days (Ex 10.21-23)
- k. Death of firstborn (Ex 12.3-13, 29-30)
 - i. "...against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am Yahweh" (Ex 12.12)

E. The Exodus

- a. Compelled to leave (Ex 12.31-34)
- b. Borrowed jewelry (Ex 12.35-36)
- c. Pursued by Egyptian army (Ex 14.5-7)

- d. Red Sea Split (Ex 14.21-31)
- e. Song of Moses (Exodus 15)
- f. At the bottom of the mountain of God by the 3rd month (Ex 19.1)
 - i. Thunder and lightning
 - ii. Thick cloud upon the mountain
 - iii. Very loud trumpet sound
 - iv. Yahweh descended on Mt. Sinai in fire
 - v. Mt. Sinai was all in smoke
 - vi. The whole mountain quaked violently