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Lesson #34--A BABY IN A BASKET

Scripture: Exodus 1:1-2:11

TO HELP US STUDY:

1. Long after Joseph died, what did the new king say? _____

2. What did he make the Israelites do? _____

3. When the Israelites grew still more in number, what did the king command the midwives to do? _____ Did they do it? _____
4. Then what did Pharaoh command? _____
5. How long did Moses' mother hide him? _____
6. Where did she put him? _____
_____ Who watched? _____
7. Who found the basket? _____
8. What did Moses' sister suggest? _____

9. Who got to nurse Moses for Pharaoh's daughter? _____
10. Why do you think things turned out this way? _____

TO CHALLENGE TEEN THOUGHT: In a good Bible dictionary or history book, find out what year Moses was born. Who was the "new king"? Does history give a reason for his bad treatment of Israel?

TO HELP US REMEMBER: Young ones - Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."
Older ones - Psalm 140¹²⁻¹³

TIPS TO TEACHING PARENTS:

Like the story of Jesus, the boyhood record of Moses' life is exceedingly short. In fact, the few details in this week's story are all that we know about him personally. But it is surprising how much these few details reveal.

We are able to reconstruct the conditions during Jesus' boyhood, for studies have revealed to us a rather complete picture of the land and conditions of that day. Until a few years ago, we could not do this for Moses, but recent discoveries have told us a great deal about the kings, the ways, and the life of Moses when he was a boy. All of this new knowledge helps us to appreciate the pitiful situation of the Israelites when Moses was born. In telling the story, you want to be sure that your children understand how cruelly God's people were being treated.

If you get a chance for your children to see the movie, THE TEN COMMANDMENTS, it will be well worth your time. This would well prepare your children for the stories in our study in the weeks to come. Unlike many of the so-called Bible story movies, this one is a careful treatment of Bible and historical facts.

FOR ADULT STUDY: ps 23; II Sam 22:2; Ps 27:1; Lan 3:26; Joel 2:32; Ps 121: Ps 62:1; Luke 21:18; Rom 8:28ff; II Peter 2:9; Eph 6:10; Phil 2:13.