

Exodus 1: Moses

1. Moses is remembered as a friend of God (Exodus 33: 11). How would you like to be remembered?
2. **Read** Exodus 1:8- 2:10 A story of Jochabed, Shiphra, Puah and Miriam (as well as Moses!)

These 4 women were extremely courageous. Are you a brave person? What inspires you to be courageous?

3. Read Genesis 46: 1-4 and compare it to our reading from Exodus 1.

How do you imagine the people of Israel felt in their current circumstances?
Have you experienced difficult times which causes you to wonder about God's plan?
Why is it difficult to entrust our children to God?

4. Read Isaiah 55:8. What do you think this verse means?
5. Read Hebrews 6: 12. Why is it hard to be patient as we wait for God to answer our prayers? How can we remind ourselves of the good things that God has promised us? (hint: read Psalm 119:11) What practical steps can we take to achieve this?
6. Shiphra and Puah worked as midwives. It cannot have been easy for them to work for a Pharaoh who gave such ruthless commands. How can we support our friends who, like them, work in challenging environments where it is hard to be a person of faith?
7. What do we learn about the importance of living with integrity in our daily lives? What does this look like for us? Give examples of how you have found it important to make godly choices that were not easy.
8. Read again Exodus 2: 4-7. Imagine this little girl watching from a distance. How do you imagine she felt? Have you ever been moved to speak out to someone unusual about God?
9. What surprising places have you seen God at work recently?

10. Time to Pray

- Pray for those who are going through challenging times, especially as it relates to family members. Ask God to reveal his will to them. Pray for all of our children.
- Pray for those who live and work in places (and countries) that are difficult for people of faith. Pray for protection and encouragement.
- Ask God to open your eyes to where he is at work. Invite him to show you Kingdom activity in unusual places in the week ahead. Thank Him that nothing is outside of His control.