

Passed Down Faith
Exodus 1:15-2:10, Hebrews 11:23-29

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I. The LORD was pleased with disobedience. Exodus 1:15-22

We must make sure we are following the LORD and not rebelling because of our individual desires. We must always do what the LORD says to do, rather than _____ man.

- The midwives revered the LORD more than they feared Pharaoh, so they _____ God rather than man. **Acts 4:19**

"Even if they lied, it is not for their deceit that they are commended, but for their _____ to take infant lives." (Alan Cole)

II. A beautiful son was born. Exodus 2:1-4

Hebrews 11:23 *By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were _____ of the king's command. NKJV*

- When Jochebed left the basket by the river, she demonstrated complete trust and _____ in the LORD, even though she had no physical proof that the LORD would answer her prayers.

III. A daughter's compassion. Exodus 2:5-10

Moses and his whole family were blessed because of the _____ of his godly mother.

- The Jewish historian Flavius Josephus wrote that Moses was _____ to the throne of Egypt and that while a young man, he led the armies of Egypt in a victorious battle against the Ethiopians.

This whole narrative shows us how the LORD gives His people _____ to make the right decisions as He blesses those decisions when they are mixed with faith in Him.

IV. The faith of Moses. Hebrews 11:23-29

Hebrews 11 ironically attributes the faith of Moses' _____ to Moses.

- Moses considered the reproach of Christ greater than the treasures of the land of Egypt, because he was looking forward to the _____ in Christ by faith.

Moses forsook Egypt and its empty promises, even though it could cost him his life, he _____ his old life!

- Moses looked forward to Christ's _____ with eyes of faith.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

1. Read **Exodus 1:15-22**. Discuss the blessing these midwives received for obeying the LORD. *What precautions should Christ-followers take when we are disobedient to the authorities over us?*
Acts 4:19, Romans 13:1-2, Romans 12:1-2, Hebrews 13:1-7, 1 Peter 2:13-14, 1 Timothy 2:1-2
2. Read **Exodus 2:1-4**. How was Moses' mother's faith displayed in this narrative? What effect did Jochebed's faith have on her children? How was Moses's escape from death a picture of Christ as a baby?
Acts 7:17-20, Hebrews 11:1, Hebrews 11:23, Matthew 2:7, 12-18
3. Read **Exodus 2:5-10**. Do you think the LORD gave Moses' parents special revelation about hiding Moses? What reward did Jochebed instantly receive because of her faith?
Ecclesiastes 2:26, Proverbs 2:6, Colossians 2:3, James 1:5, Proverbs 4:5, Acts 7:22
4. Read **Hebrews 11:23-29**. Who was credited with Moses' parents' faith? Why? What two things does **Hebrews 11:25** tell us about Moses? When did Moses meet Jesus?
Exodus 3:1-6, Matthew 1:23, Colossians 2:9, John 1:18, John 10:30, John 8:56-59, Colossians 1:17
5. Discuss the Practical Application of the sermon:
 - We must exercise our faith over our feelings to have the discernment to recognize and refuse sin.
 - We need to exercise our faith to have the determination to leave the false security the world offers us.
 - We need to exercise our faith to do the unusual things the Lord calls us to do.**Hebrews 11:1, Galatians 2:20, Romans 7:18**