

Exodus 2:1-10

Moses: the slave – baby in the box



Think about and discuss one or two questions from each section.

The text – Exodus 2:1-10

1. Read Exodus 2:1-10. God is not named in this portion of the Scriptures. However, this event reveals a great deal about God. What do you learn about God as you read this text?
2. What do you learn about the parents of Moses?
3. What does the name “Moses” mean? Why is this important?

The Scriptures – Exodus 2:1-10 as a portion of the Scriptures

4. The Hebrew word translated “basket” is the same as that translated “ark” throughout the flood narrative in Genesis 6-8. (See Genesis 6:14 for example.) Why is this important? Compare the big ark (Noah’s boat) with the little ark (Moses’ basket) and these two events that are so significant in the Scriptures of Genesis and Exodus.
5. Read Matthew 2:16-18. What similarities do you notice at the time of the births of Moses and Jesus?
6. Read Hebrews 11:23-28. What do you learn about the faith of Moses and his parents from these verses? How do they point forward to the life and work of Jesus according to Hebrews 12:1-3?

Our lives – walking the way of Jesus in response to Exodus 2:1-10 as a portion of the Scriptures

7. Why do we need to read Old Testament stories such as this one? Why not only read the New Testament Scriptures?
8. What have you learnt about God from these Scriptures?
9. How has your faith been challenged by the story of the birth of Moses? How can we pray and support you as you seek to trust God?