



Part One

ESCAPE
FROM EGYPT

Let The Adventures Begin...

“Your word is a lamp unto my
feet, and a light unto my path”

Psalms 119:105



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“God said, ‘I have seen how my people are being oppressed in Egypt and heard their cry...’” Exodus 3:7

When the Hebrew people first came to Egypt, they had an easy life. Joseph, son of their leader Jacob, was a good friend of the Pharaoh. But after he died, other Pharaohs who didn't like the Hebrews began to rule the land. The Pharaohs made the Hebrews work harder and harder, and the Hebrews cried out to God to save them.

“God, please don't forget your people. Save us from this evil Pharaoh!”

Even though it didn't seem like it, God had everything figured out. He hadn't forgotten His promise with Abraham to make the Hebrew people a great nation. Although God allowed them to be taken into slavery, He also had a plan to free them. His plan included a baby called Moses, who would one day grow up to lead the Hebrew people out of Egypt.



Moses was born at a time when Pharaoh was killing the Hebrew children. There were more Hebrews than Egyptians, and Pharaoh was scared that one day the Hebrew children would grow up and join his enemies.

“The Hebrews have too many children,” Pharaoh told the midwives. “If a Hebrew woman gives birth to a boy, kill him. If it’s a girl, let her live.”

Moses’ mother heard about Pharaoh’s new law. *Pharaoh will not take my son*, she thought. Before Pharaoh’s men could find her baby boy, she came up with a clever plan. To save Moses’ life, she laid him in a woven basket and placed him in the reeds by the Nile River.



As Pharaoh's daughter bathed in the Nile a little later that day, she spotted a baby in a basket by the riverbank. "This must be one of the Hebrew children," she said. She gazed at the little baby. "He's very cute. Maybe I should keep him."

Moses' sister, Miriam, was watching behind the reeds to see what would happen to her brother. She rushed out from where she had been hiding. "Princess, shall I find you a Hebrew woman to nurse the baby?"

Miriam ran to fetch her mother, who was the perfect woman to take care of Moses. Wasn't it special how God arranged for his own mother to nurse him, even after she gave him up?

Pharaoh's daughter was happy to have a Hebrew woman take care of the baby. When Moses was a little older, his mother took him back to live with the princess.



Moses grew up in the royal palace as Pharaoh's grandson. He wore the finest clothes, ate the best food, and had the smartest teachers. Servants bowed down to him, and Egyptian men were afraid of him. Life was more fun in the palace than it would have been as a Hebrew slave!

Moses didn't know he was a Hebrew and neither did Pharaoh.

Meanwhile, the Hebrew slaves were forced to work very hard. Every day they sweated under the hot Egyptian sun, planting crops, building statues, and making bricks out of mud and straw.

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One day, when Moses was a grown man, he discovered that he was a Hebrew. He set off to visit his real family who lived in a part of Egypt called Goshen. While he watched them making mud bricks, he saw an Egyptian man beating a Hebrew slave.

Moses' heart was filled with anger. "How dare you hit that slave!" he shouted. Moses killed the Egyptian and buried his body in the sand. The next day, Moses went out and saw two Hebrew men fighting each other. "Why are you hitting your friend?" he asked one of the men.

"Who are you to tell me what to do?" the man answered. "Will you kill me like you killed that Egyptian?"

Moses' heart pounded with fear. Who else knew he had killed an Egyptian? When Pharaoh heard what Moses had done, he realized that Moses was a Hebrew. "Moses is not my grandson! Find him and kill him!" Moses knew he was in trouble. He fled to a land called Midian, far away from Pharaoh's palace.



One morning Moses sat on the edge of a well in Midian, staring grimly into the distance. *I'm in big trouble*, he thought. *There's no way I can ever go back to Egypt.*

Just then the seven daughters of Jethro, the Midianite priest, came to fetch water for their father's sheep. A gang of shepherds tried to scare them, but Moses leapt up and chased them away.

When Jethro heard how Moses had protected his daughters, he invited Moses to eat with his family. "Moses, you have done a great thing for this family," said a grateful Jethro. "I will give you my eldest daughter Zipporah to marry!"

Zipporah's sisters clapped their hands. They were very happy their sister was getting married. They gathered together and prepared for the wedding.



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