

Week 7: The Call of Moses and God's Deliverance

A Sabbath Family Bible Study

 **Scripture Reading: Exodus 3:1–12; Exodus 6:1–8; Exodus 14:21–31 (KJV)**

With Commentary Throughout

Exodus 3:1–2

1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.

2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

Commentary:

God often calls His servants while they are faithfully doing ordinary work. Moses, once a prince, is now a humble shepherd. Yet God chooses him, not from a throne, but from the wilderness. The burning bush is a symbol of God's presence: pure, consuming, yet not destroying. It is a holy moment, marking a divine call.

Exodus 3:7–8

7 And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

8 And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Commentary:

God is not distant. He sees, hears, and knows the suffering of His covenant people. His deliverance is not only from slavery, but unto something—a land, a purpose, a future. This is always His pattern: salvation *from* bondage is always salvation *for* obedience and dominion.

Exodus 3:10–12

10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

11 And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve

Commentary:

God doesn't send Moses alone, He goes with him. The presence of God is what transforms weakness into strength. Moses' call is not based on eloquence or power but on God's commission. Every calling God gives is accompanied by His presence and provision.

Exodus 6:6–7

6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

7 And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

This passage emphasizes God's promise to deliver the Israelites from their bondage in Egypt and to establish Himself as their God.

Commentary:

God's covenant with Israel is personal. He redeems not merely to rescue, but to establish relationship. "I will be your God, and you shall be My people." This is the heart of deliverance: restoration into right covenant standing with the LORD.

Exodus 14:21–22

21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

Commentary:

God's deliverance is miraculous and complete. What was impossible became a pathway. The

Red Sea crossing represents death to the old life and entrance into new covenant identity. It is a shadow of baptism, of total separation from the bondage of Egypt (the world).

Exodus 14:30–31

30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

31 And Israel saw that great work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD, and his servant Moses.

Commentary:

God's deliverance builds faith and godly fear. After judgment on Egypt and salvation through the sea, the people recognize the power of God and the authority of His servant. True deliverance always leads to reverence and obedience.

 **Discussion Questions for All Ages**

Young Children:

- Who spoke to Moses through the burning bush?
- What did God ask Moses to do?
- How did God help His people cross the sea?

Older Children & Teens:

- Why do you think God chose Moses, even though he was unsure of himself?
- What do we learn about God's power from the Red Sea miracle?
- How does this story show us God cares for His people?

Adults:

- What does Moses' calling teach us about God's method of choosing leaders?
- How can we prepare our families to trust God in uncertain or fearful times?

- In what ways has God delivered your household in the past—and how should that shape your obedience today?
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🎵 Psalm or Hymn to Sing

Psalm 46:1–3, 10–11 (KJV)

*1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed...
10 Be still, and know that I am God...
11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.*

Commentary:

This Psalm reflects the same truth Israel experienced at the Red Sea, God is a mighty deliverer. Even when all seems lost, He is present and powerful.

🎵 Hymn: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

By William Williams (1745)

Tune: CWM Rhondda

1.

*Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,
Hold me with Thy powerful hand:
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.*

2.

*Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer, Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.*

3.

*When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.*

Family Application Points

1. **Trust in God's Call and Timing:**

Teach your children that God often uses unlikely people for great purposes. Encourage humility, readiness, and faith—even in “wilderness” seasons.

2. **Reflect on Past Deliverances:**

Have a family testimony time: share stories of when God provided, protected, or delivered your household. Record these in a family journal.

3. **Fear God, Not Man:**

Moses stood before Pharaoh without fear because he stood with God. Teach your family to fear the Lord—not political powers, bullies, or peer pressure.

4. **Walk in Obedience After Deliverance:**

God delivered Israel not for laziness, but for worship and obedience. Challenge your family to serve God wholeheartedly in response to His mercy.

5. **Honor Righteous Leadership:**

Moses was God's appointed leader. Families should honor godly headship in the home and respect righteous authority in church and nation.

A Sabbath Feast Prayer: (Used later when the Sabbath Meal is Ready)

“Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your Sabbath - a holy day of rest, joy, and renewal. As we partake in this meal, may our hearts be lifted in gratitude for Your provision and peace. Let this table reflect the peace of Your Kingdom and the love that binds our household together in Christ. In Jesus' name, Amen.”

Closing Prayer

O Lord of deliverance, we bless Your holy name for the mighty works You performed through Moses. Thank You for seeing the affliction of Your people and coming down to save. Help us to walk in trust as Moses did, to obey Your calling, and to lead our households in faith through the sea of this wicked world. Strengthen the fathers to lead with boldness, mothers to support with strength, and children to follow in faith. May our home be a testimony of Your power and a vessel of Your purpose. In Jesus Christ, our greater Deliverer, we pray. Amen.