Exodus 2

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The Birth of Moses

- ¹ And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi.
- ² And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months.
- ³ And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink.
- ⁴ And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.
- ⁵ And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash herself at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.
- ⁶ And when she had opened it, she saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the Hebrews' children.
- ⁷ Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?
- ⁸ And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.
- ⁹ And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.
- ¹⁰ And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.

Moses Flees to Midian

- ¹¹ And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.
- ¹² And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.
- ¹³ And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the Hebrews strove together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?
- ¹⁴ And he said, Who made thee a prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.
- Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well.
- Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.
- 17 And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.
- ¹⁸ And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that ye are come so soon to day?
- ¹⁹ And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water enough for us, and watered the flock.
- 20 And he said unto his daughters, And where is he? why is it that ye have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread.
- ²¹ And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter.
- ²² And she bare him a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he said, I have been a stranger in a strange land.

- ²³ And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage.
- ²⁴ And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.
- ²⁵ And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Covenant — ברית (Berit)

Covenant, treaty

The Hebrew **berit** (בְּרִית) denotes a covenant—a binding agreement, often ratified by blood sacrifice. God's covenants (Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic) structure redemptive history, culminating in the New Covenant.

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Priest — פֹהֵן (Kohen)

Priest

The Hebrew **kohen** (וֹכָּה) denotes a priest—one who mediates between God and people through sacrifices and intercession. Aaron and his descendants served as Israel's priests, foreshadowing Christ the Great High Priest.

CROSS REFERENCES

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Exodus 2:2 Parallel theme: Acts 7:20; Hebrews 11:23

Exodus 2:3

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Exodus 2:4 Parallel theme: Exodus 15:20; Numbers 26:59; Micah 6:4

Exodus 2:5 Parallel theme: Exodus 7:15; 8:20; Psalms 9:9; 12:5; 46:1; Acts 7:21

Exodus 2:6

Parallel theme: 1 Kings 8:50; Nehemiah 1:11; Psalms 106:46; Proverbs 21:1; Acts 7:21; 1 Peter 3:8

Exodus 2:7 Parallel theme: Exodus 2:4; Numbers 12:1; 26:59

Exodus 2:8 Parallel theme: Exodus 6:20; Psalms 27:10; Ezekiel 16:8

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References Moses: Hebrews 11:24. Parallel theme: Genesis 4:25; 16:11; 48:5; 1 Samuel 1:20; Matthew 1:21; Galatians 4:5; 1 John 3:1

Exodus 2:11 Parallel theme: Exodus 1:11; Isaiah 58:6; Matthew 11:28; Luke 4:18. References Egypt: Exodus 3:7

Exodus 2:14 Judgment: Genesis 19:9; Proverbs 19:12; Luke 12:14; Acts 7:35. Parallel theme: Genesis 13:8; Numbers 16:13; Matthew 21:23; Luke 19:14. References Moses: Numbers 16:3

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Exodus 2:25 References Israel: Exodus 4:31. Parallel theme: 1 Samuel 1:11; 2 Samuel 16:12; Job 33:27; Psalms 55:22; Matthew 7:23; Luke 1:25. References God: Psalms 1:6

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