

Homework: Exodus 1-12

“The Next Steps...”

Exodus 1: Oppression in Egypt

1. List the ways that the people were oppressed and the effect it had on them. Exodus 1
What effect did it have on the Egyptians?

Exodus 2-3: Moses' Early Years

2. List key events in Moses' life from Exodus 2:1-21.
3. How was God at work during this time? 2:23-24

Exodus 3:1 – 4:17: Moses' Call

4. Why did the Lord call Moses? 3:7-10
5. List the objections/concerns/reservations that Moses had about the assignment. 3:11,13; 4:1,10,13
6. What do you observe about God from His responses to Moses' concerns? *What do you think God would say to you about some of your “what if’s”, fears and insecurities?*

Exodus 4-6: Moses Before Pharaoh

7. What was the response of the people to Moses? 4:29-31
 - What was Pharaoh's response? 5:2,5-9
8. How did the people respond to Pharaoh's harsh treatment? 5:19-21
 - What was Moses' response to the Lord? 5:22-23 *Why do you think Moses was able to continually be so honest and open with the Lord?*
 - What did the Lord say that He was doing? 6:1-8

Exodus 7-11: The Plagues

9. Record the first 9 plagues and briefly list the effects of each plague. Exodus 7-11

Exodus 12:1 - 13:16: Death of the Firstborn and the Exodus

10. What were the main instructions God gave for avoiding the death of the firstborn? 12:1-13

11. How were the firstborn protected? 12:21-23

- What is the significance of the lamb? John 1:29; 1 Peter 1:9

12. How was the memory of this event passed on? 12:14-20; 24-28; 13:1-16

12:1 - 13:16 "God's deliverance of the firstborn was a blessing for those who had faith to obey His warnings. This event constitutes the birth of the nation and is celebrated as the sign of the New Year in Israel. God also commands that the event become a permanent part of the Israelite memory; they must redeem each firstborn son or animal once they enter the land. This temporal condition should have been encouraging as it pointed to God's ultimate intentions for the nation."

– Dr. Chris Miller

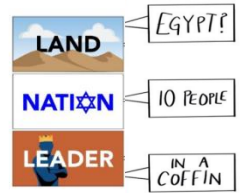
13. What do you see as some of the most interesting details about the exodus? 12:31-42

VIDEO NOTES

NOTES

Small Group Time: Exodus 1-12

1. What did you find most interesting or meaningful to you in this video?
2. When looking at Genesis 46:27 and 50:26, what was the status of the promises of a **land, nation and leader** at the beginning of the book of Exodus? Which promise does Exodus focus on the most?



3. How did Dr. Miller outline the book of Exodus?
 - God _____ the people
 - God _____ the people
 - God _____ with the people.
4. What reasons would the people have for wanting to stay in Egypt?
 - What two conditions made them want to go? See Exodus 1:11-16
5. How did the Lord identify Himself to Moses? 3:14
 - What was He saying about Himself? *How did Dr. Miller illustrate this with different lines, and endpoints and arrows?*
 - What else did He say about Himself in 3:15?

“To summarize, the name Yahweh refers to the 1) powerful, self-existent God 2) who will keep his promises to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; or for short, the powerful promise-keeper.” - Dr. Chris Miller

6. What are the meanings of *Elohim, El-Shaddai, Adonai, and Yahweh*?
7. From 6:2-8, although the Israelites knew God by the name Yahweh, in what sense had they not **known** Him? 6:3

“The Israelites knew God as a promise maker but not a promise _____.”

- How were they going to come to know Him? 6:6-8 (What do “I will” phrases add to this?)
- Who else was going to come to know Him? 7:5

8. How were the plagues, in a sense, a “blatant attack” on their gods?*
9. How destructive was the plague of blood? 7:14-24
 - Which god was this attacking and what did it show?
10. How all-encompassing was the plague of darkness? 10:21-23 Apparently, what happened to any sources of light besides the sun?
 - Which of their gods was this attacking?
11. Why would the death of the firstborn (Exodus 11) be such a devastating blow to Pharaoh?
12. What did the blood on the door mean especially to the firstborn? 12:12,13
 - Explain the significance of the lamb serving as a substitutionary atonement.
“If the Lamb dies, I_____.”
 - How did God, in effect, “**buy** His people”?
13. *How do these events make you feel about God’s power and steadfast faithfulness in keeping his promises? Where do you need to depend on His love and trustworthiness?*

* “In three cycles of plagues plus one decisive blow to Egypt, God reveals Himself in an unwanted answer to Pharaoh. He reveals His character as the omnipotent God of Israel as His plagues insult and overcome the supposed domain of several Egyptian deities (12:12). His miracles against the Nile, frogs, the sun, and finally Pharaoh himself as he is left humbled without an heir, all serve to reveal what kind of God YHWH is”.
- Dr. Chris Miller “Old Testament Lit. Written Notes”