Moses: A Story of God’s Love For His People Pt 1 Sun Am 6/26/22

# Memory Verse: Jeremiah 1:5 NKJV

# 5“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations.”

Target Thought: God’s care and protection

Good parents will do everything they can to keep their baby safe. Our Bible lesson today is about a little boy baby who was born in a very dangerous time, However God had supernatural plans for him and had supernatural plans for his care and protection. Father God has supernatural plans for our care and protection also.

There was a new King in Egypt who saw that the Israelites were very strong, and they were growing in number. The King in Egypt was afraid that the Israelites were going to take over his country. So he issued a command to all of his people: "Take every newborn Hebrew boy and throw him into the Nile River, but let the girls live."

During this time, a woman had a boy baby. Does anyone know who this baby boy was? That’s right it was Moses. His mother loved God, she knew that God had special plans for him and she trusted God to protect Moses. Can we trust God to love and protect us? Moses’ mom hid him from the evil king for three months.

As the baby got older, she couldn't hide him any longer, so she made a basket of tall grass and covered it all over with tar to make it watertight. Then she put the baby in the basket and hid it in the tall grass at the edge of the river. The baby's sister stood some distance away to watch and see what would happen to him. God had given Moses’ mother a very special plan and as she did what God had instructed her to do the supernatural plan worked to save Moses’ life and that of a nation. When we listen to and obey God it allows Him to take care of us.

A little later, the king's daughter came down to the river to bathe. Suddenly she noticed the basket in the tall grass. The princess looked in the basket and saw a baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. The baby's sister asked her, "Shall I go and call a Hebrew woman to feed and care for the baby for you?"

"Please do," she answered. So the girl went and brought the baby's own mother. The princess told the woman, "Take this baby and feed and care for him for me, and I will pay you." So the mother took him home. What an amazing plan God had! Moses mother God to raise and care for him and got paid to do it! God is a good God. God was already working behind the scenes to protect and care for His people.

Later, when the child was old enough, the mother took the boy and gave him to the king's daughter, who adopted him as her own son. The king’s daughter said to herself, "I pulled him out of the water, and so I name him Moses."

What an amazing story of two mothers who loved their child and God’s protection and care. Moses grew to be one of the greatest leaders the people of Israel has ever known. And it all started with a little baby hidden in the tall bushes down by the river.

God had a lifetime of special plans for Moses, to help deliver and entire nation of people, we will learn more about that later. God has special plans for all of us and special care and protection too.

Dear God, just as You watched over Moses protected him, You love and care for all of Your children. We thank You for Your love and protection. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

Does God have supernatural plans for us?

Can we trust God to protect and care for us?

When is God allowed to care for us?