



Lesson 27: Moses talks to Pharaoh

Scriptural Basis:



Exodus 4:1-23; 27-31; Exodus 5; Exodus 6:1-13; 7:1-31

Overview:

God sends a reluctant Moses, and his brother Aaron to seek an audience with Pharaoh to demand the release of the Israelites. Pharaoh's response is to force the Israelites to work harder. The Israelites, in turn, responded with were anger and disappointment. Moses was confused. In the middle of it all, God promises that He will display His glory and redeem the Israelites.

Things to consider:

Moses was an unwilling participant in God's plan primarily because of fear. Scripture says that God's anger burned against Moses as he tried to make excuses to get out of it (clearly God was not going to let him out of it), YET God also had mercy on him by appointing Aaron to be with Moses' "mouthpiece". The outcome of Moses' and Aaron's pleading with Pharaoh didn't go as expected, they had to trust God that He would be true to His word, and be triumphant in the end.

Bible Study for Preparation:



Exodus 4:1-23; 27-31; Exodus 5; Exodus 6:1-13; 7:1-31. Notice the intensity of this story from so many perspectives: Moses – intensely fearful, Pharaoh – intensely prideful; the Israelites – intensely beat down and feeling hopeless; God – intensely promising to watch over who He refers to as His "firstborn son." Scripture makes no attempts to portray the world as a gentle, serene place. Sin has thrown the world in chaos. And the more chaos we see, the more we come to appreciate a steadfast God who promises that the chaos is temporary, and He is triumphant.

Preparing for teaching the lesson:

- A: Review last week's lesson (lesson 22 the burning bush)
- B: Review this week's Handout paying particular attention to the Gospel in the Story and Application questions
- C. Prepare any object lessons and or crafts that will help teach the lesson

Teaching the lesson:

- A: Review last week's lesson
- B: Story
- C. Bible verse memory activity
- D. Additional activity