**WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT MOSES AND THE EXODUS?**

**The Exodus: Forever Free**

(Exodus 13:17-22, ESV)

**Exit Slavery**

**Receive God’s Deliverance from Slavery**

Exodus 13:3 Then Moses said to the people, "Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the LORD brought you out from this place. No leavened bread shall be eaten.”

**Look Forward to His Promises & Presence**

Exodus 13:5 And when the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he swore to your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey…

**Regularly Remember God’s Work & Power**

Exodus 13:5  …you shall keep this service in this month

**Don’t Look Back**

**The Enemy Will Pursue: Do Not Fear**

Exodus 14:8 And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued the people of Israel while the people of Israel were going out defiantly.

**The Past Might Seem Better: Remove Doubts**

Exodus 13:17 When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near. For God said, "Lest the people change their minds when they see war and return to Egypt.”

**Battles Are Ahead: Depend on God**

Ex 13:18 God led the people around by the way of the wilderness toward the Red Sea. And the people of Israel went up out of the land of Egypt equipped for battle.

**Forever Free**

**Watch & Know of His Presence in Both Light & Dark Times** Exodus 13:21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night.

**Move Out of the Desert: Follow & Obey** Exodus 13: 22 The pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night did not depart from before the people.

**Rest in His Strength & Control** Exodus 14:13-14 Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord …The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.

Moses

Name Meaning: Drawn-out

Humble Beginnings (Exodus 2:1-3 ESV) Now a man from the house of Levi went and took as his wife a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer, she took for him a basket made of bulrushes and daubed it with bitumen and pitch. She put the child in it and placed it among the reeds by the river bank.

Knowledge and Wisdom (Acts 7:22 ESV) And Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and he was mighty in his words and deeds.

* (1 Peter 3:15 ESV) but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

God’s Appearance – The Burning Bush (Exodus 3:1-6 ESV) Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Words and Signs of the Lord (Exodus 4:1-6 ESV)Then Moses answered, “But behold, they will not believe me or listen to my voice, for they will say, ‘The LORD did not appear to you.’” The LORD said to him, “What is that in your hand?” He said, “A staff.” And he said, “Throw it on the ground.” So he threw it on the ground, and it became a serpent, and Moses ran from it. But the LORD said to Moses, “Put out your hand and catch it by the tail”—so he put out his hand and caught it, and it became a staff in his hand—“that they may believe that the LORD, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you.” Again, the LORD said to him, “Put your hand inside your cloak.” And he put his hand inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous like snow.

(Exodus 4:30-31 ESV) Aaron spoke all the words that the LORD had spoken to Moses and did the signs in the sight of the people. And the people believed; and when they heard that the LORD had visited the people of Israel and that he had seen their affliction, they bowed their heads and worshiped.

Peoples’ Complaining (Numbers 14:1-2 ESV) Then all the congregation raised a loud cry, and the people wept that night. And all the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The whole congregation said to them, “Would that we had died in the land of Egypt! Or would that we had died in this wilderness!

(Numbers 14:11-12 ESV) And the LORD said to Moses, “How long will this people despise me? And how long will they not believe in me, in spite of all the signs that I have done among them? I will strike them with the pestilence and disinherit them, and I will make of you a nation greater and mightier than they.”

(Numbers 14:19 ESV) Please pardon the iniquity of this people, according to the greatness of your steadfast love, just as you have forgiven this people, from Egypt until now.”

God’s Promise (Exodus 6:6-9 ESV) Say therefore to the people of Israel, ‘I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD.’” Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery.

Crossing the Red Sea (Exodus 14:30-31 ESV) Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Jealousy (Numbers 12:2-3 ESV) And they said, “Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses? Has he not spoken through us also?” And the LORD heard it. Now the man Moses was very meek, more than all people who were on the face of the earth.

**Sin’s Consequences** (Numbers 27:12-14 ESV) The LORD said to Moses, “Go up into this mountain of Abarim and see the land that I have given to the people of Israel. When you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, because you rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin when the congregation quarreled, failing to uphold me as holy at the waters before their eyes.” (These are the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.)

* (Numbers 20:8 ESV) “Take the staff, and assemble the congregation, you and Aaron your brother, and tell the rock before their eyes to yield its water. So you shall bring water out of the rock for them and give drink to the congregation and their cattle.”
* (Numbers 20:11-12 ESV) [11] And Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock with his staff twice, and water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their livestock. [12] And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, “Because you did not believe in me, to uphold me as holy in the eyes of the people of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land that I have given them.”

**Deliverer -** (Deuteronomy 18:15 ESV) “The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—

**Mount of Transfiguration -** Matthew 17:3-4 – Moses, Elijah, & Jesus

* From the ESV Study Bible: “The appearance of **Moses and Elijah** represents the Law and the Prophets, which witness to Jesus as the Messiah, the one who fulfills the OT (cf. [5:17](http://www.esvbible.org/matthew%252b5.17)). Elijah was considered the prophetic forerunner of the Messiah ([Mal. 4:5–6](http://www.esvbible.org/malachi%252b4.5-6); cf. [Matt. 3:1–3; 11:7–10](http://www.esvbible.org/matthew%252b3.1-3%253b%252bmatthew%252b11.7-10)).”