

"GOD BROUGHT YOU OUT FOR A PURPOSE"

Series: "SO MUCH MORE", Part 1 of 10 Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Text: Exodus 1:6-22

Big Idea: God brings us out of a life of bondage to sin in order to bring us into a life of fullness and flourishing, so that we can help others do the same.

Exodus 1:6-14, "Now Joseph and all his brothers and all that generation died, but the Israelites were fruitful and multiplied greatly and became exceedingly numerous, so that the land was filled with them. Then a new king, who did not know about Joseph, came to power in Egypt. "Look," he said to his people, "the Israelites have become much too numerous for us. Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country." So they put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labor, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread; so the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites and worked them ruthlessly. They made their lives bitter with hard labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their hard labor the Egyptians used them ruthlessly.

Exodus 1:8, "Then a new king, who did not know about Joseph, came to power in Egypt."

Exodus 1:22, "Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live."

I. GOD BROUGHT YOU OUT OF BONDAGE TO SIN AND SATAN.

Romans 6:23b, "The wages of sin is death."

Exodus 12:13, "The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt."

1 Corinthians 5:7b, "For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed."

II. GOD BROUGHT YOU OUT OF THE OLD LIFE TO BRING YOU INTO A LIFE OF FULLNESS AND FLOURISHING.

Exodus 3:7-8a, "The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey."

Deuteronomy 6:23, "But he brought us out from there to bring us in and give us the land that he promised on oath to our forefathers."

III. GOD BRINGS YOU INTO A LIFE OF FLOURISHING SO THAT YOU CAN HELP OTHERS FLOURISH.

Genesis 12:2-3, "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."