

# The God Who Delivers (part 2)

**Review from Creation to Jacob's family in Egypt?** Our last study ended the book of Genesis with Joseph enjoying life as the Pharaoh's commanding officer. After forgiving his brothers for what they had done, Jacob and his entire clan moves to Egypt and this is where the book of Exodus begins.

**What turn of event occurs in the life of the Israelites in Egypt? Exodus 1:8-11** A generation passes and new powers come to be. A new pharaoh "whom Joseph meant nothing" became fearful the Israelite nation, becoming so fruitful and huge, would rebel against him. The Israelites became slaves to the Egyptians.

**The Pharaoh comes up with what solution? 1:22** Kill every Hebrew boy that is born.

**The future deliverer is delivered. 2:1-10.** A boy is spared, saved from a watery death through the means of an "ark". Sound familiar? Moses is delivered to one day deliver God's people out of Egypt, but for the time being, was being brought up in the Egyptian royal household.

**Moses becomes an enemy to Egypt. 2:11-15.** Moses tries to do what is right, but has to flee Egypt for his life so he goes to Midian.

**God has a message for Moses. Chapter 3.** The Lord tells Moses he will be the one to deliver the Israelites out of slavery, but Moses immediately doubts. **3:11.**

**God tells Moses who He is. 3:14-15.** I am who I am.

**God gives Moses special abilities in order to convince the people. Chapter 4.** Staffs turning into snakes, hands turning leprous and back well again, water from the Nile turning into blood...

**Moses continues to doubt God. 4:10-17** God is not happy Moses does not believe him, but is kind enough to let his brother, Aaron, speak in Moses place. Moses will still be the one to tell Aaron what to say.

**The people respond. 4:29-30.** The Israelites are on board.

**A quick summary is given of who all is in Egypt at the time. 6:13-26.** All the divisions(tribes) and their children.

**A hard-headed Pharaoh learns his lesson. Chapter 7-10** blood, frogs, gnats, flies, dead livestock, skin boils, hail, locusts, darkness... The pharaoh believes in God, and hears him, but keeps defying Him even after begging for the plagues to be taken away.

**The plague that breaks the Pharaoh. In Chapter 11,** Moses gives the Pharaoh one last chance, but to no avail.

**God prepares the Israelites for their departure with instructions. The Passover will be at midnight. 12:29-30.** This gives the meaning behind "Passover", as the Lord passed over the homes of the Israelites that night.

The Exodus. 13:31-40.

The Red Sea. 13:17 – Chapter 14.

Manna falls. Chapter 16  
Mt Sinai. Chapter 19  
The 10 Commandments. Chapter 20  
God begins setting the Israelites apart. Chapter 21-31  
The Golden Calf. Chapter 32  
New stone tablets given. Chapter 34  
Sabbath Regulations. Chapter 35

The Book of Leviticus:

- Means “relating to the Levites”
- Although it does not deal only with the special duties of the Levites, its named appropriately because it deals mainly with the service of worship at tabernacle.
- Exodus gives instructions on building the tabernacle, while Leviticus gives the laws and regulations for worship.
- Leviticus is a manual of regulations enabling and explaining how the Israelites are to be the Lord’s Holy People, separated from sin and set apart exclusively for his purpose.

The Book of Numbers:

- Numbers gathers its name from the Census list within it.
- Numbers gives an account of the 38-year period of Israel’s wandering in the desert (or wilderness) following the Sinaitic covenant.
- Numbers follows the Isarelites from Mount Sinai to the plains of Moab on the border of Canaan.

The Census. Chapter 1  
The Arrangement of the Tribal Camps. Chapter 2  
The Levites. Chapter 3

Canaan Explored. Chapter 13. All but Caleb spread false reports because they were afraid to take the land from its inhabitants. The Israelites rebel. That generation would not see the promised land for their rebellion and distrust in God. 14:29-35

The Second Census. Chapter 26. A quick check to make sure that none of the rebellious generation will be entering into The Promised Land.

The Book of Deuteronomy:

- Deuteronomy means “repetition of the law” with its theme centered around Moses exhorting the new generation of Israelites to live as his obedient people in the promised land,
- At the end of NUMBERS, the people are on the plains of Moab by the Jordan across from Jericho.
- At the end of DEUTERONOMY, the people are still there, waiting to cross the Jordan.
- It is already determined that Joshua will succeed Moses.
- Moses climbs Mt Nebo, across from Jericho, and he sees the whole land of Canaan from there. It is promised to Moses descendants. It is here that Moses dies, and the book of Deuteronomy ends.

#### LOOKING FORWARD:

- We end here with the death of Moses (Deuteronomy comes to an end)
- The Israelites have already denied and rebelled against God multiple times, but He has still held up His promise as the people are fixing to enter the Promised land.
- The people are on the plains of Moab by the Jordan, across from Jericho, preparing to cross over into Canaan and take the land.
- Joshua has taken over and will lead the people into Canaan.