

MOSES PART III
“MOSES FOUND HIMSELF IN THE DESERT”
EXODUS 2:11-25
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INTRODUCTION

- Last week we talked about destiny and how God orders our journey.
- God takes our mess and makes a destiny out of it.
- Romans 8:37, “But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.”
- What was intended to destroy us will be used to empower us.

I. IDENTITY AND DESTINY

- Exodus 2:11-14, “...Moses had grown up, that he went out to his brethren...and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew... he struck down the Egyptian...¹³He went out the next day...two Hebrews were fighting...and he said to the offender, ‘Why are you striking your companion?’¹⁴But he said...Are you intending to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?’...Moses was afraid...”
- Identity – we’ve all struggled with it.
- Verse 11 is a picture of a man whose identity is divided (a Jew or an Egyptian).
- Moses’ leadership style at this point obviously created more harm than good.
- Acts 7:20-22, “...Moses was born...was nurtured...in his father’s home...Pharaoh’s daughter took him away and nurtured him as her own son. ²²“Moses was educated in all the learning of the Egyptians...”

II. A LEADER OUT OF CONTROL

- Vss. 11-14 - Moses obviously had some anger issues!

- Why did Moses go out there? “To his brethren”
- There was a destiny calling him.
- Acts 7:23-29, “...he supposed that his brethren understood that God was granting them deliverance through him, but they did not understand...”
- He wants to do the right thing, but he does it the wrong way! Romans 7:15
- He looked around, but he never looked up.
- It was about men, not God. We can’t do God’s work man’s way, it must be done God’s way.
- Acts 7:27 - He pushed him (Moses) away.
- Moses fled! To the desert.

III. THE DELIVERY OF THE DESERT

- God shows us a glimpse of what He has in store for all of those who want to be great in Him.
- Loneliness and desert...solitude.
- Greatness is never achieved with men, but alone.
- The work God would do in Moses would require solitude, space and privacy.
- Vss. 16-20 - The next time we see Moses leading we begin to see a change, some restraint.
- It seemed God was doing nothing, but God is always doing something to touch people.
- Hebrews 11:27, “...he endured, as seeing Him who is unseen.”

CLOSE – God building His man

- Vss. 23-25 - “The course of those many days” = 40 yrs
- They cried out and God took notice.
- Took notice one word = yaw·dah...from = *yāda*, *know*
- God knows you! And He notices you.