

SERMON NOTES

5 Brave Women

Reading Exodus 1- 2:10

The 5 women in this account risked their lives out of the fear of God.

1. What do you think the fear of God is? Why is there confusion regarding this truth.
2. What does Proverbs 1: 7 have to say about the fear of God? How does this play out in our lives?

Shiphrah and Puah

3. What is the significance of Acts 7:17 to this Exodus story?

Pharaoh represents the government of this world. We will examine one type of response when asked to engage in ungodly activities by the leaders of the land.

4. What was Pharaoh's worry as the Hebrews grew in number?
5. Discuss his first edict. Ex 1:11

The life of the Hebrews became intolerable. Enter the midwives, Shiphrah and Puah. They appear to have positions of real responsibility and authority.

6. Discuss Pharaoh's 2nd edict. Ex 1:16
7. What was the response of the midwives and why?
8. Read Matthew 10:28 and relate it to their decision.
9. Expand now upon your definition of the fear of God

As a consequence of their actions the nation was blessed and the midwives had families of their own. God rewards those who fear him and delight and miraculous provision is often the result.

Psalm 91 shows the connection between fearing God and his protection. Read and give God thanks for these promises by faith.

Jochebad, Miriam and Pharaoh's daughter

10. Moses is born to Jochebed and Amram. He is described as a fine child. Read Acts 7:20 and Hebrews 11:20 and expand upon what this actually meant. What is spiritual discernment?
11. Fear of God is termed faith in Hebrews 11. How do these two ideas inter- connect.
12. Hiding the basket in the reeds was complying with Pharaoh's 3rd edict without the life of the baby being taken. How does this model wisdom in situations we might be in?
13. The end result was a marvelous miracle. Ex 2:9. Discuss this reward from the Lord in light of Jeremiah 32:17 and Hebrews 13:8