

How God Answers Prayer
Exodus: God's Plan – Part 1
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Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV) For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Genesis 15:13-14 (ESV) Then the LORD said to Abram, "Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions.

1. Trust God's _____

Exodus 2:3 (ESV) 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.

Exodus 2:11-12 (ESV) One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people. He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

Exodus 2:16 (ESV) Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came and drew water and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

Exodus 2:23 (ESV) During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God.

2. Trust God's _____

Exodus 3:2 (ESV) 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.

Exodus 3:6 (ESV) 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.

Exodus 3:9-10 (ESV) And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

3. Trust God's _____

Exodus 4:1 (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.'"

Exodus 4:10 (ESV) But Moses said to the LORD, "Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue."

Exodus 4:13-14a (ESV) But he said, "Oh, my Lord, please send someone else." Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses and he said, "Is there not Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well.

Action Plan for This Week

Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading & prayer (Exodus 2-4)
 Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

Invite a friend to the service next Sunday.

How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. What kinds of plans does God have for people's lives (Jeremiah 29:11)?

Intro. Why did God allow the Israelites to become slaves in Egypt (Genesis 15:13-14)?

Intro. How can seemingly negative circumstances be part of God's plan (John 9:2-3)?

Intro. What is the main goal of God's plans for people's lives (Matthew 6:10)?

1A. How did Moses' parents show faith (Exodus 2:3, Hebrews 11:23)?

1B. Was Moses killing of the Egyptian part of God's plan (Exodus 2:11-12, Acts 7:24-25, Hebrews 11: 27)? Why or why not?

1C. How did God provide for Moses as a fugitive (Exodus 2:16, 21-22)?

1D. How was God preparing Moses during 40 years in the Midian desert to answer the Israelites' prayer (Exodus 2:23, Numbers 12:3)?

1E. How do you think God is preparing you for the next phase of His plan for your life?

2A. Why did God appear to Moses in a flame of fire (Exodus 3:2, 19:18, Acts 2:3)?

2B. What was significant about how God identified Himself to Moses (Exodus 3:6, 14-15)?

2C. What do you think Moses thought when God revealed his mission (Exodus 3:9-10)?

2D. In what ways do God's plans and their timing for our lives always intersect with other people and their prayers?

3A. Why did Moses doubt that the Israelites would listen to him (Exodus 4:1, Acts 7:26-27)?

3B. Why did Moses question his own ability to accomplish God's plan (Exodus 4:10, 3:11)?

3C. Why was God angry with Moses (Exodus 4:13-14)?

3D. What excuses have you used to seek to avoid God's plan for your life?