

Intro:

Main Point of Text: Moses' family takes steps of faith to save him; God rewards their acts immediately and for the future.

Sermon Point: *Step out in faith to move forward in grace.*

Move 1: Satan tries to paralyze your growth with fear.

First moves didn't work (Ex. 1:8-11, 13-14, 15-16). Next the worst: vs. 22. Acts 7:17-19. Must have happened to hide Moses. So no surprise to find a woman bereft of newborn son/able to nurse. Vss. 6, 8-9. Pharaoh's daughter disobeys him; his command on her mind before saying "Go!"

Move 2: Faith courageously acts.

Faith acts of parents: Vss. 2-3. Acts 7:20. *By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.* (Heb 11:23-24). Faith acts of sister: vss. 4, 7-8. None of this was accidental. Vs. 5. This was a set up. Notice, in Heb. 11 "hall of faith", their acts of valor by faith are praised.

Move 3: Active faith shows trust in God's providence.

Don't miss God's hand all over this. Timing of Moses birth (1:22). To whom born: Vs. 1: tribe of priests. Many dangers could have still happened. Vs. 6, Moses cried right on time. Vs. 9: Raised in Hebrew home on behalf of adopted mother who could protect his life/provide. Acts 7:21. Pharaoh's daughter takes credit in name: vs. 10 (means drawn out). But foreshadows Moses' calling from God to deliver Christ's people.

Move 4: God rewards active faith that follows Him.

Vs. 9: Moses brought back to mother. He is protected, she gets paid! She will have to give him up again, but she seems to know he is special and saved for a purpose: Vs. 2; Acts 7:20; Heb. 11:23. And God sets him up to be well trained to do so: Vs. 10; Acts 7:22. God uses means of faith to His gracious ends.

Conclusion:

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