

## Hide Out or Drawn Out

Exodus 2:1-10 (NIV)

Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, <sup>2</sup> and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. <sup>3</sup> But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. <sup>4</sup> His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him. <sup>5</sup> Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. <sup>6</sup> She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. <sup>7</sup> Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" <sup>8</sup> "Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. <sup>9</sup> Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. <sup>10</sup> When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

1. Drawn out people know they can't be free until they realize what enslaves them. (Ezekiel 20:8; Psalm 51:5; Romans 3:23; I John 2:16)

We are sinners by birth, by choice, and by the world.

• What is your Egypt?

Psalm 139:23-24 (NIV)

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. <sup>24</sup> See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

## 2. Drawn out people are tired of hiding.

Psalm 32:3-5 (NIV)

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. <sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. <sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Are you tired of hiding?

## 3. Drawn out people fear the right things.

Hebrews 11:23 (NIV)

By faith Moses' parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

- Those who hide out are super concerned about the words of others and not near as concerned about the words of God!
- Misplaced fear will keep you in hiding all your life.
- 4. Drawn out people believe that what they pick up is far better than what they lay down.
  - Drawn out people are motivated by the greatness of God.

Will you be drawn out or will you hide out?