March 16, 2025 – Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group
"The Birth of Moses: A Floating Basket Changes the Course of History" -- Exodus 2:1-10

Questions to Answer from the Text:

1. The man and woman who married were members of which tribe of Israel (v. 1)?

2. What special significance did this tribe later acquire?

3. What significant event occurred in this family (v. 2a)?

4. What action did the mother need to take after this event? (v. 2b) Why?

5. How did the mother attempt to protect her newborn son once she could no longer hide him (v. 3)?

6. What occurred after she did this (vv. 5-6)?

7. When Pharaoh's daughter discovered the floating basket, who suggested that a Hebrew woman nurse the baby for her (v. 7)?

8. Who became the boy's nursemaid (vv. 8-9)?

9. Once the baby boy grew older and no longer required nursing, where was he taken (v. 10a)?

10. What name did Pharaoh's daughter give the boy? What was the reason (v. 10b)?

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

11. How might one naturally explain Pharaoh's daughter's response upon discovering an infant boy on the banks of the Nile River? What reasons might have led her to disregard her father's command?

12. Does a natural cause of events detract from the sovereign working of God in the same situation? Why or why not?

13. In what sense can we talk about something being "random," "arbitrary," or "by chance"?

14. In an absolute sense, is anything ever really "arbitrary" or "random"? Why or why not?

15. How does God's sovereignty comfort and strengthen you?

16. Why might God's sovereignty unsettle someone?

17. Does God's protection of your life allow you to be carefree or take risks?

18. In what ways does acknowledging the sovereignty of God over all aspects of life influence your personal experiences?

19. As a parent, how does the belief in God's oversight of your family affect your approach to parenting?

20. Up to this point in the Exodus narrative, how have females contributed to God's purpose in valuable ways?