

## WE ARE THE MOSHE OF JESUS

*Exodus 2:10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.*

**The water of the river Nile changed baby Moses' destiny from that of a slave to a royal prince.** Hallelujah! When Moses was put into the ark and lowered onto the waters of the river Nile, the hands that lowered the basked were those of a slave – Jochebed. The hands, however, which picked him out of the waters of the Nile were those of a royal princess – the daughter of Pharaoh (Heb 11:24). How did this incredible change in destiny happen?

**Between a life of slavery and the palace there was faith and water.** “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). When faith and water combine a miracle happens. I wish to talk to you today about the water that changes our destiny. There are some Jochebed here today: their children will be baptized in Jesus' name. Like Jochebed you realized there is no future for your children no matter how much love you may shower upon them. “He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned” (Mark 16:16). It is foolish to stay in the house of the damned; better to lower your child into the waters of baptism. Every good mother wants the best future for her child – the lower your child into the waters of baptism in Jesus' name! The hands that will lift your child out of the waters on the other side in heaven are those of the Lord Jesus.

Everyone who has been baptized in Jesus' name is the Moshe of Jesus – he has drawn us out of the water. **The distance between Goshen and the palace** was not that far, but the change in destiny was incredible: from the son of a slave to a son of the King. The distance to heaven from the earth is very short, but few are willing to undertake this journey. How many people are willing to travel from one end of the earth to another, and how many explorers have died trying to be the first to journey to some remote destination, but not many are willing to make the very short journey to the waters of baptism that link straight to heaven. **As soon as Pharaoh's daughter brought Moses out of the water, the first thing she did was give him a change of clothing fit for a member of the royal family – remove the clothes of the slave! Bring forth the royal garments!**

*Gal 3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.*

*Phil 3:21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.*

**The last face baby Moses saw before he was laid in the ark was that of Jochebed. Now, the first face he saw was that of royalty.** Soon he was looking straight into the eyes of Pharaoh himself. The water of baptism is the only way we can hope to see the face of our beloved Jesus Christ. Just as this baby was forever associated and reminded of his origin – the water (Moshe) – we should never forget that our destiny has been eternally changed through water baptism in Jesus’ name. “Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:3,4). **The waters of the river Nile were commanded to take baby Moses straight to the palace. God himself commands the currents when we are baptized in Jesus’ name to take us straight to heaven.** How many ships have lost their way and shipwrecked throughout history? A first-class ticket on the famous *Titanic* cost the equivalent of 50 000 USD today. It was supposed to sail from Southampton in England to New York in seven days, but this supposedly “unsinkable” ship sank after four days. The currents of our baptism in Jesus’ name are ordered by the Lord. It is free and never loses its way. Every soul baptized in Jesus’ name reaches the destination – heaven.

*Exodus 14:21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.*

*Exodus 14:22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.*

**Now, many years later as an adult, Moses was saved by water a second time.**

Water would once again change the destiny, not only of Moses, but all of Israel. You children who will be baptized in Jesus’ name will be used by the Lord to bring many people to the waters of salvation when you grow up. Hallelujah! Let us not determine to be saved by the water of baptism alone, but may the Lord bring us back to the waters of baptism with thousands of people! **Moses came by water to the Egyptians, and he left Egypt by water!** “Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea” (I Cor 10:1,2). The waters of the Red Sea changed the destiny, not of one man alone this time, but of an entire nation. When they went down into the Red Sea, Pharaoh

still claimed them as his slaves – they could see the Egyptian army not far away. But the moment they came out of the Red Sea, they were no longer slaves. Pharaoh and the Egyptians were crushed by the waters of the Red Sea. Water always saves some and kills others. In the days of Noah, many died in the waters of the global flood, but Noah and his family were saved by water.

***1Peter 3:20** Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.*

In conclusion, Moses must have asked at some stage, “Why am I called Moshe?” The answer served to remind him of where Pharaoh’s daughter found him. He must have often looked at the river Nile and been amazed at this miracle. We must also pause at times and look at the waters of baptism in Jesus’ name from which Jesus drew us out. “Where did you find us Jesus?” In the waters of baptism. Hallelujah! He gave us a change of clothing – from that of slaves to sons of God. “For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren” (Romans 8:29). Now, the Lord expects us to lead many people out of the Egypt of their sins through the waters of baptism, which was what the Red Sea represented. May you and I be the Moshe of the Lord Jesus Christ!