

Southside Baptist Church
Sunday Morning 5-9-21
Christianity 101 – Message 20 Part 1
“God preserves the Israelites and protects Moses”

1. Introduction:
 - a. Taking a look back:
 - 1) Joseph had given his brothers one final test.
 - 2) Do you think God uses situations and circumstances to reveal our hearts?
 - 3) Do you think this story is the exception to the rule?
 - 4) What do you see when you look at Joseph’s life?
2. Taking a look ahead into Exodus:
 - a. Fear and Confidence:
 - 1) Which one will you choose?
 - 2) Fear is often wrapped up in one question – “What If?”
 - 3) What should we be learning about this struggle?
 - a) We will not obey the Lord unless we trust Him. We will not trust Him unless we know Him.
 - b. God is Faithful:
 - 1) That is what we will see together in this story.
 - 2) Suffering is a part of the Christian life.
 - c. Life constantly tests one’s faith in the Lord.
 - 1) A very important question – “Will you trust Me?”
 - d. Another picture of the Gospel:
 - e. Exodus is a story about God delivering His people:
 - 1) God is setting people from slavery – sound familiar?
 - f. Why is this story important for Christians to know?
 - 1) I Corinthians 10:1-13
3. The Blessings flow from Joseph’s life: Exodus 1:1-6
 - a. Joseph and his generation died in Egypt.
 - 1) For a time Joseph’s memory was honored.
 - b. The Israelites increased in number and riches: Exodus 1:7
4. Pharaoh wanted to destroy the Israelites: Exodus 1:8-11
 - a. A new Pharaoh made the Israelites slaves:
 - b. Pharaoh’s Plan:
 - 1) Viewed them as a security threat – Verse 9-10
 - 2) Enslave them and condemn them to hard labor – Verse 11
 - 3) What happen in midst of this adversity? Verse 12
 - 4) Kill all the baby boys: Verse 15-22

- c. How about those midwives?
 - 1) These midwives “feared God”
 - 2) Did they lie?
 - 3) Egypt is often seen as a picture of the world. What do you see these ladies doing?
 - a) II Corinthians 6:14-17
 - d. The heat is on:
 - 1) What must have been going through the minds of the Israelites?
 - 2) Genesis 15:13-17
 - e. Satan was guiding Pharaoh in his evil plan.
 - f. Satan knew the coming Deliverer would bring about his destruction.
 - g. God did not forget Israel.
5. Today’s Take Away:
- a. This Exodus story is a great story for the person wrestling with “What If’s”.
 - b. The unspoken question seems to be, “Will you trust Me?”
 - c. Life is constantly testing our faith. Why?