

**The Birth of Moses:  
The Picture of a Believing, Courageous Mother  
Exodus 02:01–10**

**1. *She was a Hebrew,  
of Levi's tribe:  
A slave of the lowest rank***

**2. *She was a courageous,  
righteous woman***

- a. She bore a son
- b. She did the righteous thing:  
Hid him for three months

**3. *She had great wisdom:  
She planned ahead  
and trusted God completely***

- a. She made a watertight,  
ark-like basket
- b. She put Moses in the basket  
and hid him among the reeds  
of the Nile River:  
Trusting God to save him
- c. She had Moses watched over  
by his older sister

**4. *She witnessed the sovereign,  
guiding hand of God***

- a. Pharaoh's daughter  
discovered the ark-like basket
- b. She opened the basket and  
was moved with compassion  
for the crying baby
- c. Moses' sister demonstrated  
courage: Walked up and  
suggested that Pharaoh's  
daughter have a Hebrew  
woman nurse the child

1 Now a man of the tribe of Levi  
married a Levite woman,

2 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.

3 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.

4 His sister stood at a distance  
to see what would happen to him.

5 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.

6 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.

7 Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter,  
"Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women  
to nurse the baby for you?"

d. Pharaoh's daughter agreed  
(under God's sovereign,  
guiding hand)

**5. *She had her faith rewarded***

a. She was employed  
to nurse the child

b. She saw God work all things  
out for good: Her son Moses  
was not only saved,  
but adopted by the daughter  
of Pharaoh himself  
(under God's sovereign,  
guiding hand)

8 "Yes, go," she answered.  
So the girl went and got the baby's mother.

9 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.

10 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."