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Message #4: "Seeds of Greatness" Exodus 2:11-22 (page 50)



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Background of the text today

Timeline

- Exodus dating: I Kings 6:1 480
 years before Solomon's temple
- Moses age

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Key People

- Mother: Jochebed
- Adopted Mother: Hatshepsut
- Pharaoh: Thutmose I
- Pharaoh: Thutmose II
- Pharaoh: Hatshepsut
- Pharaoh: Thutmose III



Seeds from a Parent

- Eternal valuation of life

- Healthy perspective of reality

Dueteronomy 6:4-9

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. 5 Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. 7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Dueteronomy 11:18-21

18 Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 19 Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 20 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, 21 so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land the LORD swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

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"This is the principle of identity. As long as you are unsure of your identity, you're going to be pressured to fit into other people's molds. They will manipulate you. They will try to make you into what they think you ought to be rather than what God made you to be."

- Rick Warren

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- Through the confusion of his identity,
 Moses still knew who he was
- Moses outward identity did not define his inward identity
- Where do you find your identity? How would others identify you?

Seeds of Strength

- Domination of an Egyptian and Shepherds (Exodus 2:12, 17)
- Protector and Defender emerges
- His strength was more than physical, an inner strength to persevere

Seeds of Weakness

- Paradox? How an weakness be part of the growth to greatness?
- God's power is made perfect in our weakness (II Corinthians 12:9)
- Weaknesses can either define you or define who God is IN you!

FIRST BEGOTTEN, FORTRESS, FOUNDATION, GIFT OF GOD. SHELTER. SHEPHERD. SON OF GOD. SON OF MAN. SONG. TABERNACLE OF GOD. TENDER PLANT. TREASURE. TRUTH.

- Who is our perfect parent, who is planting His seeds in our hearts? JESUS
- Who gives us our identity and calls us His own? JESUS
- Who gives us the strength to endure and to persevere? JESUS
- Who demonstrates His grace and great power through our weaknesses? JESUS