

## God's Will, My Way

God's Man For a Crisis

## The Egyptian Lifestyle

- Stephen, in Acts 7:17-22 fills us in on a little of Moses upbringing
- Moses was taught court life and protocol. Culture and traditions. Arts and music
- He would have been taught to write and understand hieroglyphs, math, astronomy, medicine, literature
- He was a respected leader for being "mighty in words and deeds" – Acts 7:22
- He spent 40 years becoming a somebody

## Operation Self-Will

- God puts a burden in Moses' heart
- Maybe a searching for his roots and family
- There was the recognition of his ancestry
- Maybe it provoked an understanding of history
- Ex.2:11- "he went out to see his people"
- Acts 7:23 He needs to see "his brothers"
- Acts 7:24 Seeing injustice, felt need to defend and save
- Acts 7:25 – Felt called by God to liberate the Hebrews

## Operation Self-Will

- Ex.2:11 – he saw the injustice and the abuse
- 12 – Military training did quick work on the abuser
- 13 - He assumed they understood he was their saviour
- Acts 7:26-27 – His efforts at mediation revealed their lack of understanding of his calling
- 28- Their revelation of their knowledge of the murder changed his purpose
- Ex.2:14b – A foreign emotion now gripped his heart

## Discouragement And Defeat

- 15a – Why did Pharaoh want to kill him?
- The palace wonder boy now became a desert wanderer
- Acts 7:29 – He became an exile.
- He went from being a Somebody to being a Nobody
- Ex.2:15b – And he sat down by a well...
- A discouraged soul in a desolate place
- But God was a work.

## God's Will - My Way?

- God pursues people with His everlasting love
- God uses failure to cause us to slow down and contemplate our life
- We know God loves us and has a wonderful plan for our lives, but are we trying to do His Plan, our way?
- Jesus said, "I am the way, the Truth and the life, no one comes to God the Father except through me!" Jn.14:6
- "Wide is the gate and easy is the way that leads to destruction. The gate is Narrow and the way is hard that leads to life and those who find it are few!" Matt.7:13