

GOD KNOWS

Moses: God's Man for
A Time of Crisis

Growing In The Desert

- From Egypt to Midian
- The context changes but his nature as a rescuer has not
- His kindness leads to family and contentment- 2:18-22
- Meanwhile, back in Egypt ... Ex.2:23-25
- During those many years...
 1. The King died - 23
 2. Israel groaned a cry for help and rescue – 23
- And for 40 yrs nothing happened

A God Who Sees And Cares

- Ex.2:24 - God **HEARD** their groaning
- God **REMEMBERED** His covenant
- He **SAW** the people
- And God **KNEW**; was concerned about them;
- Gen.4:1 – to know intimately, thoroughly, completely
- If God heard, remembered, saw and knew, why didn't He **DO** something?
- Daniel 3:16-18

A God Who Sees And Acts

- Ps.10:1-11 Arrogance of the wicked; 12-18 God will act
- Ps.11 follows – God's heart is toward the righteous
- Matt.23:37
- Why did God allow Israel to suffer for 40 yrs?
 1. Without the suffering they never would have left.
 2. He had a lesson to teach to the unseen realm
 3. He wanted to display his power over all powers and earthly rulers so God's people would trust Him.

Why Do We Suffer?

- Why do bad things happen to good people?
 1. Because of Adam and Eve's rebellion, all of creation has been subjected to "futility"! Rom.8:20-24
 2. We battle against a fallen nature. 1John2:16,17
 3. Our Battle is not against flesh and blood. Eph.6:10-13
- Luke :5-7 – The Devil has authority and glory on earth

How Do We Thrive?

1. There are earthly victories and defeats -Heb.11:32-39
2. Keep your eyes focused on Jesus- Heb.11:39
3. Deal with the things that hold you back- 12:1
4. Remember the Goal, the prize, the Joy -12:2
5. Persevere. Christian life is a marathon, not a sprint
6. No pain, no gain – 5-11
7. The body of Christ is for mutual support 12-14
8. Live in GRACE. Be filled with the Spirit - Eph.5:18