



The Redemption of God's Firstborn

The Exodus Narrative

The Backdrop of the Exodus Narrative

“Israel groaned”- Ex. 2.23-35; 6.2-8

How They Got Here:

- Joseph rises to power in Egypt. **Ge. 41.37-45**
- Joseph’s family joins him in Egypt. **Ge. 46-50**
- The Israelites multiplied in the land. **Ex.1.1-7**
- There arose a new king in Egypt. **Ex. 1.8-10**
- The Israelites became slaves. **Ex. 1.11-22**

The Structure of the Exodus Narrative

God promises to **redeem** His **firstborn**. Ex. 4.21-23

Moses' **firstborn** must be **circumcised**. Ex. 4.24-26

Pharaoh **refuses** God's **firstborn**. Ex. 5.1-10.29

God **redeems** His **firstborn**. Ex. 11.1-12.29

Pharaoh **releases** God's **firstborn**. Ex. 12.30-42

Only the **circumcised** can **partake**. Ex. 12.43-51

The people must **redeem** their **firstborn**. Ex. 13.1-16

The Climax of the Exodus Narrative

“Yet one plague more I will bring...” Ex. 11.1

The Passover:

- **God would kill the firstborn in Egypt. Ex. 11.5**
- **God would spare those with the blood. Ex. 12.13**
- **The firstborn of Egypt were killed. Ex. 12.29**
- **Pharaoh released God’s firstborn. Ex. 12.31**

The NT Fulfillment of the Exodus Narrative

- “Israel is my firstborn son” Ex. 4.22
“you... the assembly of the firstborn” He. 12.22
- “They... made them work as slaves” Ex. 1.14
“For when you were slaves of sin” Ro. 6.20
- “When I see the blood, I will pass over” Ex 12.13
“with the precious blood of Christ” 1 Pe. 1.19
- “Consecrate to me all the firstborn” Ex. 13.1
“might no longer live for themselves” 2 Co. 5.15

How Do We Become God's Firstborn?

“...for in Christ Jesus you are all
sons of God, through faith. For as
many of you as were baptized into
Christ have put on Christ.”

Gal. 3.25-27