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WHEN LIFE IS ALTERED, HOLD ON TO GOD'S WORD

EXODUS 1:1-22 | REV. LITO VILLORIA

Change is inevitable. The only thing constant in life is change. Uncertainties can lead to unplanned changes, which, in turn, can make life unpleasant. The lives of the Israelites were altered when a new Pharaoh arose. The life of peace they enjoyed turned into a life of persecution.

A Life of Peace. The Book of Exodus took off where the Book of Genesis ended (Genesis 41:37-45; 46:26-27; 47:1). Before Joseph died, he told his brothers that God would bring them out of Egypt (Genesis 50:24-25; 15:13-14). Afterwards, all the generations of his brothers died. But, the nation of Israel flourished. They grew exceedingly strong and filled the land of Egypt (Exodus 1:1-7).

A Life of Persecution. A new Pharaoh arose who did not know Joseph. The growing number and might of the Israelites threatened this unnamed Pharaoh. He dealt shrewdly with the Israelites. He afflicted them with heavy burdens and oppressed them. But the more they oppressed them, the more they multiplied in number. So, they dealt ruthlessly with the Israelites. They made them work as slaves and made lives bitter for them (Exodus 1:8-14).

A Wicked Plan. Pharaoh commanded the Hebrew midwives to have all newly born male babies killed. But these midwives feared God and did not obey Pharaoh. Pharaoh summoned and asked why they let the male children live. The midwives reasoned it was because the Hebrew women were strong and delivered their children before they could come to them. So, the Israelites continued to multiply and grew very strong. God blessed the midwives with their own families. Then, Pharaoh commanded that every son born to the Israelites should be cast into the Nile (Exodus 1:15-22).

When, somehow, our life patterns are altered, we need to hold on to God's Word. Although the lives of the Israelites had changed paths, the promises of God could not be hindered. Neither death, nor persecution, nor the most wicked plan could ever alter the mighty plans of God. ✱

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- **GRAY MATTERS: STRENGTHENING CONVICTIONS ON DIFFICULT DECISIONS.**
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via Zoom
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beginning April 18, 2021
via Zoom Meetings
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every Saturday
1:30-3:00 PM | via Zoom
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