

BORN FOR THE MOMENT

Week 1

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I. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ABANDONED BY YOUR PARENTS?

A. Have you ever been discarded by life?

B. Have you ever experienced neglect —

1. Perhaps left alone & feeling unwanted?

2. Feeling Unloved & Unworthy?

C. And yet, — Quantum Mechanics & her mathematicians have calculated that the probability of you being born at this moment (*for this moment in time*) is:

1 in 400 quadrillion —

Miracle

1. That you, & every one of your ancestors lived to reproductive age - going all the way back to the first *imago Dei* (Adam & Eve) —

Miracle

2. More importantly, that your lineage has remained unbroken since Eden —

D. Today, the average person spends:

1. 79 years to *live* — (or **28,835 days**).
2. 26 years *sleeping* —
3. 7 years *attempting to go to sleep* —
4. 11 years *looking at screens* —
5. 4^{1/2} years *eating* —

II. IN ACTS 7, WE READ:

A. 17 ***“But as the time drew near for God to fulfill the promise He had declared to Abraham, the people increased greatly in number in Egypt, 18 until another king who did not know about Joseph ruled over Egypt. 19 This was the one who exploited our people & was cruel to our ancestors, forcing them to abandon their infants so they would die. 20 At that time Moses was born, & he was beautiful to God. For three months he was brought up in his father’s house, 21 & when he had been abandoned, Pharaoh’s daughter adopted***

him & brought him up as her own son. 22 So Moses was trained in all the wisdom of the Egyptians & was powerful in his words & deeds.

B. In Acts 7:19, *Luke* writes that the Egyptian Pharaoh "*dealt treacherously with our people & oppressed our ancestors by forcing them to throw out their newborn baby boys so they would die.*"

C. *Moses* was born in an oppressive environment in *Egypt* —

1. As a *Hebrew male child*, he was born under the Sentence of Death —
2. Miraculously, he was spared when Pharaoh's 'Princess' Daughter retrieved him from the *Nile*, which was *churning* with *Egypt's* Crocodiles of Death —
3. In *Pharaoh's* Egypt, the Nile Crocodile was associated with *Seth*-the god of evil
4. *Seth*-god of evil was worshipped as the power, protection & fertility of *Pharaoh*

D. It is in this setting of Oppression, Slavery, Murder, Abandonment, & Death — that one of the greatest men in all of history & one of the most Important men in O.T. History *is born* —

1. This man of Remarkable Character —

2. This man would become a Statesman, a Lawgiver, a Historian, an Emancipator, Poet, & a Prophet is born into the trauma & utter horrors of a baby who would be abandoned — a child who would be thrown out —

E. A child who would suffer identity issues having been cast out of his Hebrew home, taken & adopted by an alien nation of Debauchery & Unrestrained Sensuality -

F. A nation filled with carnal, demon-driven worshippers who looked to a pantheon of Egyptian deities is now the surrogate "mother" to Israel's Abandoned & Thrown Out —

G. This **boy**, whom **Pharaoh's Death Warrants had named** & **Israel's rejection had claimed** — **appeared to be headed to a watery grave of kingdom-wide infanticide** —

H. But the **churning waters** of the **Nile** would **not be his grave**, but become the **Highway** to his **God-ordained Purpose** —

I. Hell knew what **Pharaoh** did not, that whatever **it designed to inflict on this infant boy** of **courageous Jochebed** — **God** had already **spoken a word to reverse the curse & cure every harm ill-intentioned** —

1. I hear the **Word** of the **Lord** saying, "**As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about the saving of many lives, as they are this day.**"

Gen. 50:20 ESV

2. I hear the Wise Man saying, "**He (God) has made everything beautiful in its time.**" Eccl. 3:11 NIV

III. **THE DAY APPROACHED WHEN, ACCORDING TO THE EGYPTIAN ASTROLOGERS, THE LIBERATOR OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL WAS TO BE BORN** —

- A. "*On this day*" — the 7th of *Adar*, **Jochebed, Amram's** wife, give birth to her third child, a **boy** —
- B. So, *hell* constructed a plan of infanticide to kill **all male children** because *hell* has heard the angels talking about you —
1. And *hell* fears the assignment on your **life** — & will do everything within its power, to **"steal, kill, & destroy."**
- C. One of the **Chief Ways** in which the *enemy* attempts destroy people's pleasant future is to **mar & scar** their childhood with

circumstances of Abandonment & conditions of Rejection —

D. But **God**, knowing the *wiles of the devil*, gave to *Mankind* **2 things** to **right every wrong**, & **destroy every alliance**, & **cut every umbilical cord attached to the dark world of demon power & influence**:

1. **Repentance** —
2. **Forgiveness** —

E. Through **Jesus**, **God** provided for each of us a: **Savior** & an **Advocate**, a **High Priest** who was **qualified to officiate over**, **mediate through**, & **serve in our stead** —

1. Our **Spotless Lamb** who was **qualified** as our **Passover** — because **"He who knew no sin became sin for us"** so that we might be forever free from the **curse of the law**, & the **pains & injuries** of our disconsolate 'Adam' lives — **2 Cor. 5:21**
2. Through **Jesus**, we recover our **"moment"** our **"day"** because **He redeemed** it back!

- a. So, we haven't **lost** it —
- b. Our abandonment didn't **forfeit** it —
- c. Our sin didn't **spoil** it —
- d. Our rejection didn't **nullify** it —

F. Like **Moses**, we have been made for **"this"**
moment —

1. **Moses** would live despite **Pharaoh's**
death sentence that ordered him to be
thrown out into turbulent death-devouring
waters of **Hapi**, the **Egyptian god of the**
Nile —

2. But, because **Moses** was born for **"this**
time" with an **Assignment** on his life —

a. **Moses** would become the **Liberator** of
Jehovah God to confront Egypt's gods
even while carrying scars of his own
abandonment (loss of identity) issues:

- i. When he didn't feel **worthy**,
- ii. When he didn't feel **trusted**,
- iii. When he didn't feel **reassured**,

iv. When he didn't feel capable,

v. When he didn't feel emotionally stable,

vi. When he didn't feel relationally whole,

G. **God** looked past **Moses'** worry, anxiety, panic, fear, illness, isolation, & low self-esteem & declared: *"At this time Moses was born, & he was beautiful to God."*

Acts 7:20

H. This why the **Apostle Paul** would say: *"Be very careful, then, how you live - not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the most of every opportunity."*

Eph. 5:15-16

IV. **IN A WORLD FILLED WITH:**

A. Poverty, Conflict, Political Unrest, Deception, Despotism, Food Shortage, Violence, Slavery, Human Trafficking, Wars & rumors of wars, Famines, Pestilences, Viruses, Pandemics, Earthquakes, Volcano's, & the *Beginning of Sorrows* —

1. ***Fret not... be not troubled... YOU were born for this moment*** —
- B. Remember what **Quantum Mechanics** & her mathematicians have calculated your probability of **YOU being born** at this moment (for this time) **1 in 400 quadrillion** 
- C. Jer. 1:5 ESV — ***“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, & before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”***
- D. Psalm 139:16 ESV — ***“Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.”***
- E. Psalm 139:1-24 ESV — ***“O Lord, You have searched me & known me! You know when I sit down & when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path & my lying down & are***

acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, You know it altogether. You hem me in, behind & before, & lay Your hand upon me."

F. Rom. 8:29 ESV — *"For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers."*

G. Isa. 49:5 ESV — *"And now the Lord says, He who formed me from the womb to be His servant, to bring Jacob back to Him; & that Israel might be gathered to Him—for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord, & my God has become my strength"*

H. Eph. 1:4 ESV — *"Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy & blameless before Him In love,"*

I. Isa. 49:1 ESV — *"Listen to me, O coastlands, & give attention, you peoples from afar. The Lord called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name."*

J. Isa. 44:2 ESV — *"Thus says the Lord who made you, who formed you from the womb & will help you: Fear not, O Jacob my servant, Jeshurun whom I have chosen."*

K. Gal. 1:15 ESV — *"But when He who had set me apart before I was born, & who called me by His grace,"*

L. Job 31:15 ESV — *"Did not He who made me in the womb make him? And did not One fashion us in the womb?"*

M. Psalm 139:15-16 ESV — *"My frame was not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in Your book were*

written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them."

N. Gen. 2:7 ESV — *"Then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground & breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, & the man became a living creature."*

O. Exodus 33:17 — *"And the Lord said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in My sight, & I know you by name."*

P. Luke 1:15 ESV — *"For he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, & he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb."*

Q. Luke 1:41 ESV — *"And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit,"*

P. Isaiah 44:24 ESV — *"Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, who formed you from the womb: "I am the Lord, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by Myself,"*

Q. Psalm 139:13-14 ESV — *"For You formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise You, for I am fearfully & wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well."*

R. John 17:24 ESV — *"Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, may be with Me where I am, to see My glory that You have given Me because You loved Me before the foundation of the world."*

S. 1 Peter 1:20 ESV — *"He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you"*

- T. Acts 15:18 ESV — *"Known from of old."*
- U. Eph. 2:10 ESV — *"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."*
- V. Heb. 4:12 ESV — *"For the Word of God is living & active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul & of spirit, of joints & of marrow, & discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."*
- W. Col. 1:16 ESV — *"For by Him all things were created, in heaven & on earth, visible & invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him & for Him."*
- X. 2 Tim. 1:9 ESV — *"Who saved us & called us to a holy calling, not because of*

our works but because of His own purpose & grace, which He gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,"

Y. Eph. 4:11-12 ESV — *"And He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,"*

Z. Jeremiah 29:11 ESV — *"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare & not for evil, to give you a future & a hope."*

V. **YOU WERE BORN FOR THIS MOMENT!**

A. **You** were made for this Great Awakening!

B. **You** were made for this Extraordinary time

C. **You** have been called to this moment —

D. **God** will fill you with **His Spirit** to accomplish the Assignment that **He** has given you to do...