

# My Servant Moses



A Stranger in the Land of Midian



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- She was a Gentile looking for a home or sanctuary in Moses

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Exodus 2:22

“She called his name Gershom because he said I have been a stranger in a strange land.”

Roth. footnote: “with the mass of MSS and Targum of Onkelos.” Supported by Ginsburg.



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**A strange land:** *nokriy* = “foreign, non-relative, disown”.

End your trial:

Learn these lessons:

☒ LESSON ONE

☒ LESSON TWO

☒ LESSON THREE



# When God is ready...

*Acts 7:35*

“This Moses whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same did God send to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush.”



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- Moses would serve God upon this mountain

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# 1. The Sign of the Serpent-Rod

Moses' Rod:

- a lowly shepherd's rod

Serpent:

- a symbol of Pharaoh (king sin)

Moses fled

- his present lack of faith

Take by the tail

- a call to faith and courage in obedience

Became a rod

- the power of faith and courage in Yahweh's Word to bring complete control over the flesh

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## 2. The Sign of the Leprous Hand

Hand upon the bosom

- symbolic of lethargy and inactivity (Ps. 74:11; Prov. 19:24; 26:15)

Leprous (i.e. both the hand and the heart!

- Represents SIN

At Command is cured

- Yahweh can heal their diseases through obedience to His Word



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### 3. The Sign of Water into Blood

Water from the Nile

~ represents Israel as people in Egypt

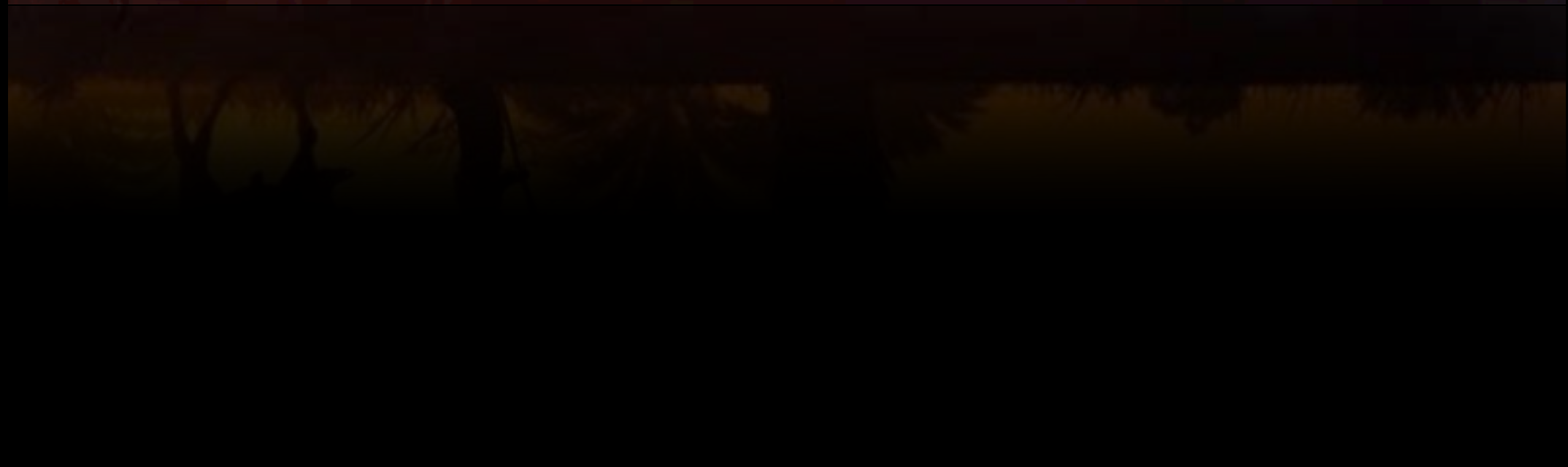
Water becomes blood on dry ground

~ Water gives Life to soil

~ Blood is useless to soil

Thus: the LIFE was to be poured out of the nation with no atonement

(Lev. 17:17:13; Deut. 12:23,25)



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Ass

- the only firstborn animal able to be redeemed under the Law by a lamb (Ex 34:19-20)
- otherwise, its neck to be broken
- the **ass** represented Israel



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Who?

~ “him” = Moses (antecedent is Moses in v. 20, 21)

Why?

~ V.25 Circumcision of Moses' son (firstborn)

Key:

~ Vv. 21-23 Moses to warn Pharaoh to let God's firstborn son (Israel go) or I'll slay your firstborn

~ But...





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## Types

Note pronouns (him, he) deliberately confusing

- don't know whether it is Moses or son (firstborn)
- both merged and identified with each other (the circumcision of the firstborn saves Moses)

## Type of Christ saving the Gentile Bride

- Moses dying (death) identifies with cutting off of firstborn (cp. Col. 2:11-15)
- she identifies with circumcision & touches his feet (Gen 3:15)
- becomes identified with bridegroom through "his" blood



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Type of Israel redeemed by Christ

- Moses reps Israel (the body of Moses)
- Israel is dying
- Israel is redeemed by a despised son of Israel of the Woman's seed