


— THE BOOK OF —  
**EXODUS**



**Spring, 2026**  
**LG Congregation**

April 19, 2026

# Schedule

Christian Formation - Spring 2026	
Date	Topic
	<b>Exodus</b>
April 5	
April 12	
April 19	<i>God Has a Plan (Ex 1)</i>
April 26	<i>God Molds His Man (Ex 2-4)</i>
May 3	<i>Promises &amp; Purposes (Ex 5-6)</i>
May 10	<i>Plagues &amp; Purposes (Ex 7-10)</i>
May 17	<i>Passover Grace (Ex 11-12)</i>
May 24	
May 31	<i>God's Sovereignty (Ex 13-17)</i>
June 7	<i>Meeting God (Ex 18-19)</i>
June 14	<i>Ten Commandments (Ex 20-23)</i>
June 21	<i>Covenant &amp; Tabernacle (Ex 24-27)</i>
June 28	<i>Divine Designs (Ex 28-31)</i>
July 5	
July 12	<i>Shameful Episode (Ex 32-34)</i>
July 19	<i>Worship Workshop (Ex 35-39)</i>
July 26	<i>God's Exit Strategy (Ex 40)</i>

# Background

- Part of the Pentateuch: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy
- Exodus: Departure from Egypt. Red Sea crossing ~ 1446 BC.
- Authorship: Moses, ~1440 - 1400 BC, when he was 80-120 y.o.
- Exodus is the central theme in Judaism, key book in the OT (Christianity) and recounted in the Quran
- Picks up ~ 400 yrs after the end of Genesis, when the Israelites were welcomed to Egypt, to escape famine
- Now, Joseph has long passed, and the new Pharaoh did not know of Joseph

# Summary of the Book of Exodus

**Chap. 1 - 7. Introduce Moses and the Israelites in bondage in Egypt. The new Pharaoh was fearful of the Israelites and persecuted them. God protects baby Moses eventually calls Moses with a special revelation (burning bush) to release His people from slavery in Egypt (3)**

**Chap. 8- 13. Moses asked Pharaoh for release of the Israelites. Released 10 Plagues, culminating in the loss of every first born male in Egypt. However, the Israelites obeyed God and followed the ordinance of the Passover and God spared them (2)**

**Chap. 14 – 18. Describe the “Exit”, from Egypt. Moses and the Israelites escape via the parting of the Red Sea, as the Israelites gradually experienced God’s power and faithfulness (2)**

**Chap. 19 - 24. Moses presents the 10 Commandments to all the people at Mt. Sinai, and made a Covenant between God and the Israelites (3)**

**Chap. 25- 40. Moses gives the Israelites the tabernacle, priest and worship instructions (3)**

# Things to be on the look out for

- **Is God at work?**
  - Is what is happening “natural” or do the results point to divine intervention?
  - Is there a reason for God to intervene?
- **When is civil disobedience justifiable?**
  - When is disobedience justifiable?
  - What would be “justifiable reasons”?



*These are the names of the sons of Israel who came to Egypt with Jacob, each with his household:*

*<sup>2</sup> Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, <sup>3</sup> Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, <sup>4</sup> Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. <sup>5</sup> All the descendants of Jacob were seventy persons; Joseph was already in Egypt. <sup>6</sup> Then Joseph died, and all his brothers and all that generation. <sup>7</sup> But the people of Israel were fruitful and increased greatly; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them.*



***<sup>8</sup> Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. <sup>9</sup> And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. <sup>10</sup> Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply,***

***and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” <sup>11</sup> Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses. <sup>12</sup> But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel. <sup>13</sup> So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves <sup>14</sup> and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they ruthlessly made them work as slaves.***



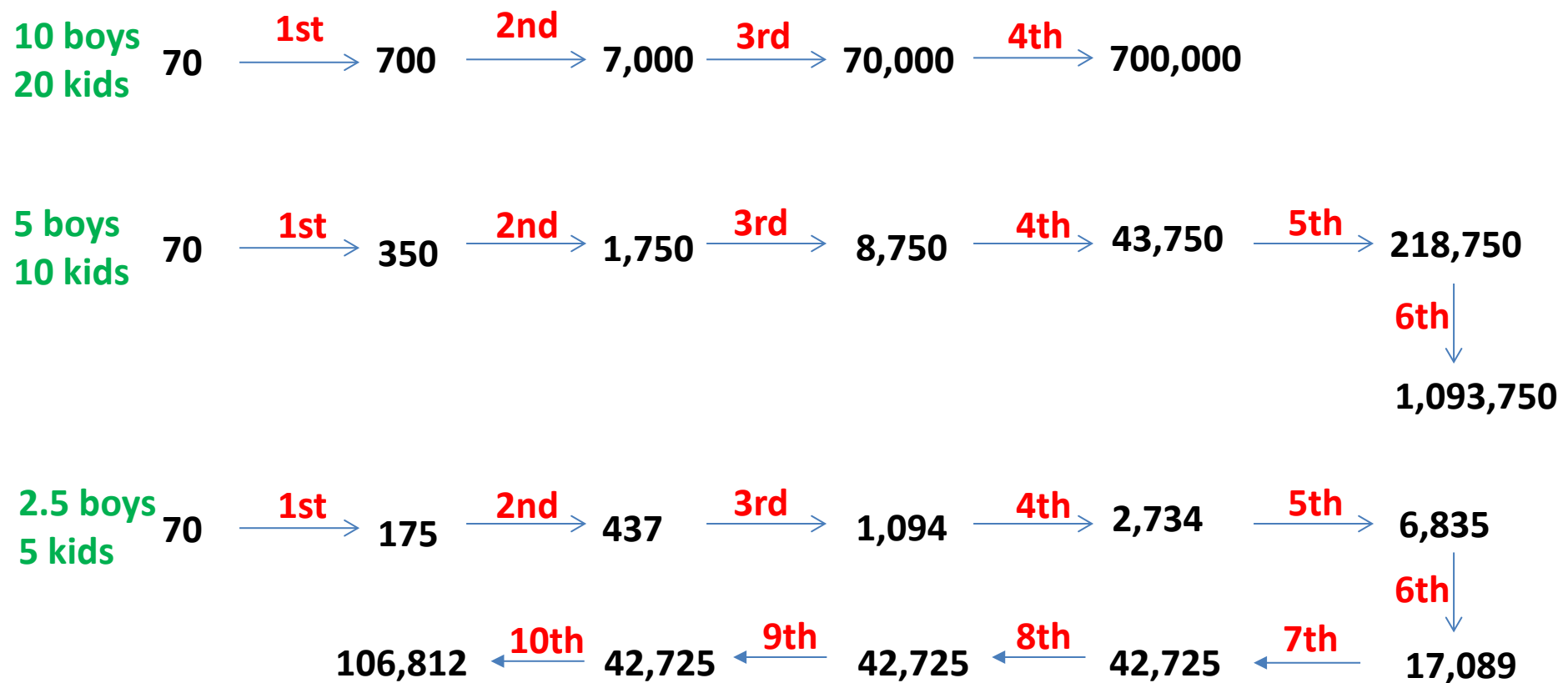
**15 Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, 16 “When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you**

**shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live.”**

**17 But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. 18 So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and let the male children live?” 19 The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” 20 So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. 21 And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. 22 Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every son that is born to the Hebrews<sup>[a]</sup> you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live.”**

# Is 70 to 600,000 natural?

- In 400 yrs, there would be about 33 yr/Gen x 400 yr = 12 generations.  
(If 25 yr/ Gen, then 16 Gen.)
- Mathematically possible if each family have 5-10 kid?
- 600,000 kid/yr = 1644 child born per day, in Pithom and Rameses (Goshen)



*Every male has about 5-10 children in each generation*

# The Problem of Multiplication:

Despite persecution and forced labor, the Israelites continue to increase significantly (exceedingly fruitful)

- Divine blessing, or natural event?
- Why did they increase so much?

## Genesis 15

<sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” <sup>5</sup> **He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring<sup>[d]</sup> be.”**

<sup>12</sup> As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD said to him, **“Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there.** <sup>14</sup> But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. <sup>15</sup> You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age.

# **The Midwives' Defiance:**

**Pharaoh commands Hebrew midwives Shiphrah and Puah to kill male babies at birth. The midwives, "fearing God" more than the king, refuse to obey, and God blesses them for their courage.**

- **How did God bless the 2 midwives?**

## **Is this applicable to us/our life?**

- **How?**
- **What reasons are considered justifiable?**
- **Would God agree?**

**The Turning Point: Pharaoh orders all Egyptians to throw Hebrew baby boys into the Nile. This ultimate act of cruelty and genocide sets the scene for the birth and rescue of Moses in Chapter 2.**