

- How do we equip ourselves to live in a crisis? How do we equip our children for difficult days?

1. **Convinced of God's faithfulness – Ex 1**

- Ex 1: Pharaoh tries to stamp out God's people. See what happens v7,12,20
- God had promised they would become a nations – God is careful to keep his promises
- Unknown circumstances in Ex 2, but Ex 1 reminds us that God is faithful

2. **Convinced of God's greatness – Ex 2, Heb 11:23-26**

- God uses the enemy to preserve Moses!
- The hearts of everyone are in God's hands
- "Pharaoh left the God of the Hebrews out of his reckoning—that was his big mistake and that can be ours too." Motyer
- We need to be in a relationship with this faithful great God to enjoy his faithfulness and greatness
- Only possible through the one to whom Moses points—Jesus
- These convictions enable Jochebed to do two things:

3. **Acting on the basis of God's faithfulness & greatness – Ex 2**

- When we are increasingly convinced of these then it will result in action:
 - a) **It breeds courage**
 - b) **It encourages obedience** - Do we obey/fear God or men?
 - c) **It overcomes problems** - Too easy to be paralysed by problems
 - d) **It expects answers** - Not a begrudging trust, but an expectant trust
- We obey—the outcome is in the hands of our great faithful Father

4. **Passing-on the greatness & faithfulness of God – Heb 11:24-26**

- Jochebed probably had Moses for 3-10 years
- She infuses him with a view of God that outweighs all this world offers
- The high calling of mother & fatherhood - "Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Prov 22:6
- Parents need to bring their children up to know God
- Parents need to live in such a way that their kids see that it isn't all talk.
- Parents need to give their kids something great to live for:
 - A greater name – Heb 11:24
 - A greater pleasure, which outweighs every pleasure/temptation – v25
 - That lasts for a greater duration – Heb 11:25
- Not just for parents, all of us are called to live this way so that those around us see that there is something bigger and better to live for.



Notices

- Sab 8th Evening service at Mark & Judith's 8pm
Psalm singing & learning new tunes
- Tue Men - Disciplines of a Godly Man - ch 15
Ladies - Sermon discussion @ Mark & Judith's 8pm
- Sat 21st Presbytery Youth Event - Limavady 7.30pm
John George is speaking on 'Dealing with drug abuse'.
- Sat 28th Leaflet distribution in Enniskillen - invites to services starting 1st March
Starting meet in Tesco's Car park Enniskillen at 10.30am. Lunch will be provided for all workers.. Contact Rev Robert Robb if you wish to help.
Tel: 048 7772 2136 mob: 0044 751 802 0228 email: revrobbrp@hotmail.com

March

- Sat 7th Young People's Spring Conference
Cloughmills - 6.30pm for tea, 7pm for meeting (over 8.45pm)
Christians in a world that rejects Christ
Rev Peter Jemphrey
- Thu 12th Banner of Truth NI Conference for young people
The Book that Changed the World - Can we Trust the Bible?
The Crescent Church, University Road, Belfast.
Speakers Include: Ted Donnelly & Mark Johnston
- 21st March Go-relief team meeting - Cloughmills RP Church @ 3.00pm

Sabbath 22nd - Miriam (Exodus 15, Numbers 12)

Opening Psalm: 94:7-12

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