

# Exodus

## Chapter 1

### Student

**Contents:** Jacob/Israel's family in Egypt and their subsequent bondage.

**Characters:** Joseph, Pharaoh, Shiprah, Puah.

**Conclusion:** **GOD**'s providences<sup>i</sup> may at times seem to thwart<sup>ii</sup> **HIS** promises. As a result **HIS** peoples' faith may be tried and the recognition of **HIS** power is magnified. In their persecutions, **HE** will sustain all who trust **HIM**.

**Key Word:** Bondage, 14.

**Strong Verses:** 17, 20, 21.

**Striking Facts:** It has been the policy of the those in power over **THE OTHERS** throughout the centuries to represent **them** as a dangerous, untrustworthy hurtful people, as a pretense for barbarous treatment. **GOD**'s counsels stand and they still increase.

#### Word study:

**Midwife** - a person (typically a woman) trained to assist women in childbirth.

**Accoucheur** - a male midwife.

#### Questions:

1. Which tribe was NOT mentioned? Why?
2. What was the excuse for Egypt enslaving Israel?
3. What was the Pharaoh's solution?
4. Whose assistance did he ask for?
5. What did the midwives do?

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<sup>i</sup> **Providence** - the protective care of God or of nature as a spiritual power.

<sup>ii</sup> **Thwart** - prevent (someone) from accomplishing something.