

# THE Teachers' Preparation Leaflet

LESSON 8.

MAY 20th, 1894.

2nd QUARTER.

## The Childhood of Moses. Ex. 2: 1-10.

GOLDEN TEXT: "I will deliver him and honor him." Ps. 91: 15.

COMMIT TO MEMORY verses 8-10. CHILDREN'S HYMNAL, 2, 238, 66. 149.

PROVE THAT—God's people are protected. Ps. 91: 7.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Quest. 103. What do we pray for in the third petition?

### DAILY PORTIONS.

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MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDAY.	SABBATH.
Ex. 2: 1-10	Ex. 2: 11-15	Ex. 2: 16-25	Heb. 11: 23-27	Acts 7: 17-22	Acts 7: 23-29	Ps. 93: 10-22

## THE PARENTAGE OF MOSES.

In the *Notes and Explanations* we have followed the usual view, but give here the argument of Prof. Green. It is found in the *Sunday School Times*, April 23rd, 1887. It would be a relief not to be compelled to hold that Amram married his aunt.

And there went a man of the House of Levi:—The name of Moses' father is not mentioned in this place. He is simply spoken of indefinitely as one of the descendants of Levi. Moses' genealogy is given more fully in Exodus 6: 16-20. The line of descent as there stated is Levi, Kohath, Amram, Moses. From this it has been inferred that Amram and his wife Jochebed were the immediate parents of Moses. And this has been supposed to be corroborated by the prediction made to Abraham (Gen. 15: 16) that his seed should be a stranger in a land not theirs, but in the fourth generation they should return to Canaan. If Moses was Amram's own son, he would be the fourth from Jacob. Plausible as this seems, it is nevertheless an error, as can be readily shown. 1. The abode in Egypt (Exod. 12: 41) was four hundred and thirty years, with which Paul's statement (Gal. 3: 17) is not inconsistent. Kohath (Gen. 46: 11) was born before the descent into Egypt, and lived one hundred and thirty-three years. His son Amram lived a hundred and thirty-seven years (Exod. 6: 18, 20.) Moses was eighty years old (Exod. 7: 7) when he came to Pharaoh to demand that he should let the children of Israel go. Now, upon the most supreme supposition that Kohath was less than a year old when taken down to Egypt, and that his son and that of Amram were born in the very last year of their respective fathers' lives, there will still be eighty years unaccounted for between Amram's death and Moses' birth. 2. From Amram and his three brothers were descended four Levitical families or subdivisions of the tribe of Levi, which together numbered, in the time of Moses, 8,600 males (Num. 3: 27, 28), and, it may be presumed, an equal number of females. Now, if Moses was Amram's own son, he must have had 4,300 brothers and sisters,—supposing the families to be alike in size,—and 12,900 cousins. 3. It appears from 1 Chronicles 7: 22-27 that Joshua, the

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