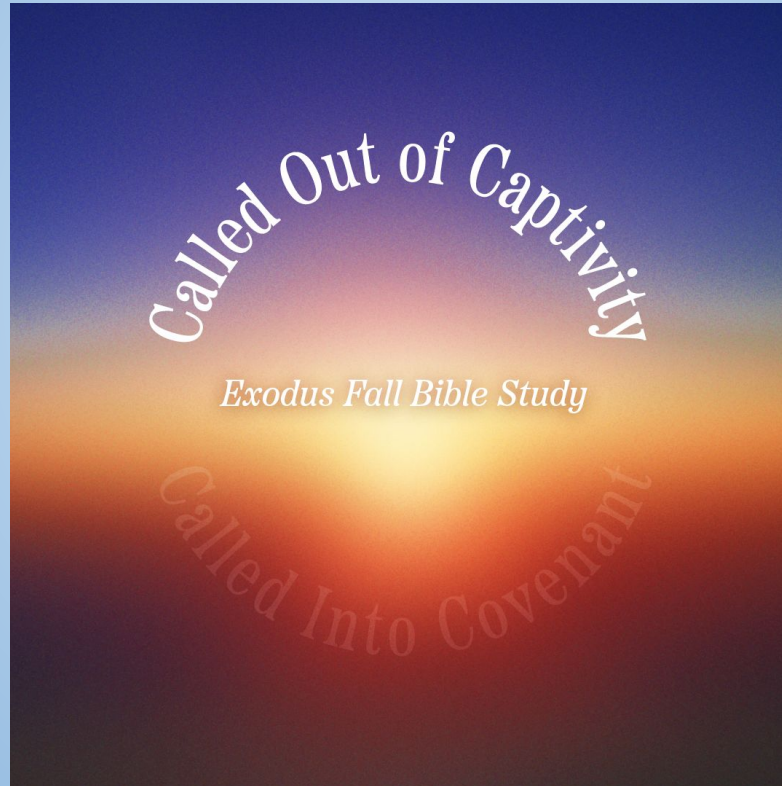
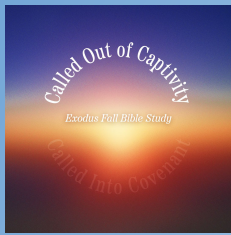


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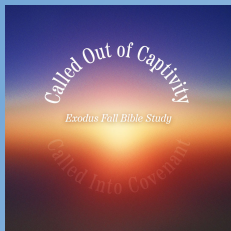


Introduction

The book of Genesis ends with the Hebrew word בְּמִצְרַיִם which means "in Egypt". This connects the book of Genesis to the book of Exodus. The first two Hebrew words in the Book of Exodus are the Hebrew title for the book: “And these are the names of...”^[1].

[1] Currid, D John, A Biblical Theological Introduction to the Old Testament; The Gospel Promised, (Wheaton: Crossway, 2016), 69.



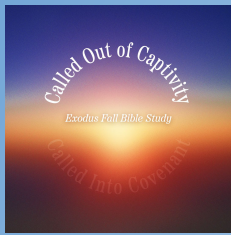


Idiomatic Expressions

A strong arm. *“However, I know that the king of Egypt will not allow you to go, even under force from a strong hand. But when I stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all my miracles that I will perform in it, after that, he will let you go.”* (Exodus 3:19–20, CSB)

Egyptian texts characteristically explain pharaonic power in terms of Pharaoh’s “strong hand”; he was the “possessor of a strong arm” and “the one who destroys enemies with his arm” (James K Hoffmeier, “The Arm of God versus the Arm of Pharaoh in the Exodus Narratives)

Currid, 70.

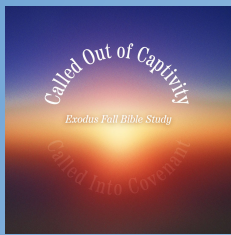


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When accounting for the plague of hail, the phrase “Such as never has been in Egypt” corresponds with statements like Pharaoh Thutmosis III, who would pronounce that he has done something greater “than all the things that were in the country since it was founded”.

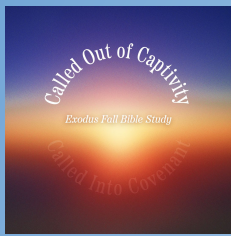
The name of the Egyptian god Ra and the Hebrew concept of *ra* רָעָה “evil”.

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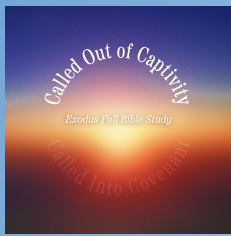
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Exodus 2:1-2. Moses is born a slave in Egypt; he is born under oppression and persecution; and Pharoah attempts to murder him (Ex 1:15-22)	Exodus 1:8-22. The Israelites are born slaves in Egypt; they live under cruel bondage; and Pharoah attempts to murder the male infants.
Exodus 2:3-10. Moses undergoes a water ordeal and is delivered.	Exodus 14:1-15:21. Israel undergoes a water ordeal at the Red Sea and is delivered.
Exodus 2:11-22. Moses escapes to Midian/Sinai	Exodus 16:1-18:27. Israel escapes to Midian/Sinai.
Exodus 3:1-22. God appears to Moses in a theophany on Mount Sinai.	Exodus 19:1-40:38. God appears in a theophany on Mount Sinai.
Exodus 4:1-17. Moses hesitates and doubts, but God is faithful.	Remainder of Torah. Israel responds by being unfaithful, but God is faithful.



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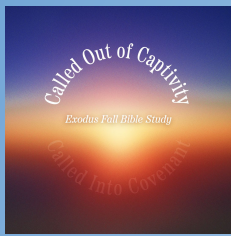
Exodus	Matthew
Begins with genealogy (1:1-5)	Begins with genealogy (1:1-17)
Birth of a deliverer (2:1-10)	Birth of a deliverer (1:18-25)
Pharaoh persecutes Israel (1:8-14; 2:11)	Herod oppresses the Jews (2:1-12)
Moses flees from Egypt (2:15)	Jesus flees to Egypt (2:13-15)
Pharaoh kills male children (1:15-22)	Herod kills male children (2:16-18)
Israel goes through the Red Sea (14:1-31)	Jesus is baptized (3:13-17)
Israel is tempted in the wilderness for forty years (Numbers)	Jesus is tempted in the wilderness for forty days (4:1-11)
Giving of the law at Mount Sinai (20:1ff)	Sermon on the Mount (5:1-7:29)



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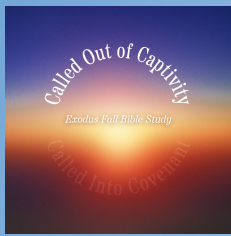




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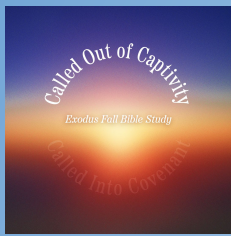
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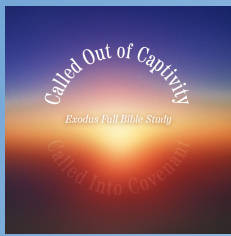
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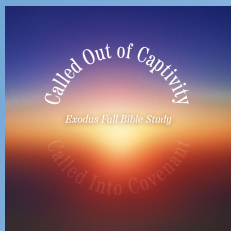
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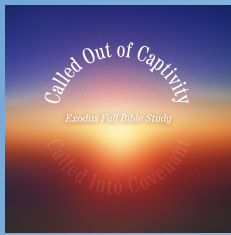
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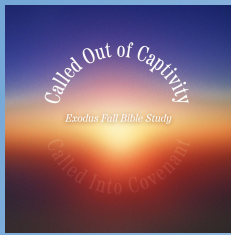


Themes

- A. The revelation of God's name-
The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. I am who I am. (the tetragrammaton YHWH).
- B. Kingship (God as rescuer and ruler)
- C. Sanctuary (Tabernacle) - The tabernacle was the “tent of meeting” where God met with Israel in his capacity as king, shown by the rich furnishings.

Köstenberger, Andreas J. and Gregory Goswell, *Biblical Theology; A Canonical Thematic & Ethical Approach*, (Wheaton: Crossway, 2023), 119.
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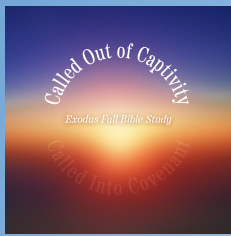


Ethics

The word “tora,” commonly translated as law, means teaching or instruction.

Teaching underscores the framework of grace within the law “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage” (Ex 20:2)





Ethics

Two-part structure of the Ten Words (standard term for the Decalogue – ten words or commands)

Words 1-4 Relations with God	Out of the land of Egypt (v.2) Sabbath command (vv 8-11)
Words 5-10 Relations with neighbors	Live long in the land (v.12) Do not covet (v.17)