#### Text: Exodus 2

# (I) LITTLE COVERAGE OF MOSES'S LIFE IN EXODUS

- 1. The first forty years was hardly mentioned in Exodus
- 2. Information gathered from the following texts:
  - a) Acts 7
    - i) He was well pleasing to God at birth (Acts 7:20)
    - ii) He was learned in all wisdom of the Egyptians (Acts 7:22a)
    - iii) Mighty in words and deeds (Acts 7:22b)
  - b) Hebrews 11
    - i) When he came of age (**Hebrews 11:24a**)
    - ii) Refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter (**Hebrews** 11:24b)
    - iii) Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God (**Hebrews** 11:25)
    - iv) Rejected the passing pleasures of sin (**Hebrews 11:25b**)
    - v) Esteemed the reproach of Christ greater than the treasures of Egypt (**Hebrews 11:26a**)
    - vi) He looked to the reward (in heaven) (**Hebrews 11:26b**)

#### (II) MURDER OF AN EGYPTIAN OFFICER

- 1. Moses went out to see his "brethren" (Exodus 2:11)
- 2. He saw an Egyptian officer beating a Hebrew slave (Exodus 2:11)
- 3. He slew the Egyptian (Exodus 2:12)

4. He thought no one saw this murder (Exodus 2:12)

# (III) ON ANOTHER OCCASION

- 1. He tried to help two Hebrew men fighting with each other (Exodus 2:13)
- 2. His help was rejected

"Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you intend to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?" **Exodus 2:14** 

# (IV) FLEEING EGYPT FOR MIDIAN

- 1. Moses's deed was reported to the Pharaoh (Exodus 2:15)
- 2. He sought to kill Moses (Exodus 2:15)
- 3. Moses fled from Egypt (Exodus 2:15)

# **(V) SIGNIFICANCE**

- 1. The beginning of faith in Moses
- 2. However there was no Divine calling yet
- 3. Moses was led by his own strong spirit at this point of time
  - a) Sense of justice
  - b) Taking the law into his own hands
  - c) He failed miserably at this juncture