



JOURNEY TO FREEDOM

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BEYOND SUNDAY

Identity Crisis — Exodus 2:1-15 — Mark Turnney

1. Reflecting on Pastor Mark's genetic test experience, how have unexpected discoveries about your ancestry or heritage shaped your understanding of identity?
2. Considering the various aspects of identity Pastor Mark discussed (physical appearance, profession, family, sports teams), which of these have you found most stable or consistent in your life, and which have been more transient or subject to change?
3. In what ways have you seen people around you define their own identities? How does this approach compare with seeking a solid, unchanging identity in God?
4. How does Moses' early life, as described in Exodus 2, challenge popular misconceptions about his story (e.g., the idea of him being cast adrift in a basket)? How do these details add depth to his identity struggle?
5. What do you think motivated Moses' mother to take such a risky step to save her son? How does her courage and faith compare with the actions we might take to protect our own identities or those of our loved ones today?

6. Discuss the significance of Miriam's quick thinking in suggesting her mother as a nurse for Moses. How might her actions reflect her understanding of identity and loyalty?
7. How did Moses' decision to intervene on behalf of the Hebrew slave reflect a turning point in his own identity journey? How does this relate to moments in our lives where we must choose between comfort and taking a stand for what is right?
8. According to Hebrews 11:24-27, what motivated Moses to reject his Egyptian identity and align himself with God's people? How can we apply his example to our own lives when faced with identity crises or challenges?
9. How does baptism symbolize and solidify our identity in Christ? What are some practical ways we can live out this identity in our daily lives, despite the challenges or costs involved?
10. Reflecting on Pastor Mark's closing message, what steps can we take to embrace our true identity in Christ fully? How can we overcome the temptation to straddle the line between worldly comforts and our commitment to God's kingdom?