

A dramatic scene featuring a man with a long, grey beard and hair, wearing a red robe with white stripes. He has his arms raised in a gesture of authority or prayer. The background is a dark, stormy sky with swirling clouds. The text is overlaid on the top and bottom of the image.

# In-Depth Studies in **EXODUS**

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A man with a long, flowing white beard and hair, wearing a red robe with white stripes on the sleeves, stands with his arms raised. He is looking upwards and to the right. The background is a dramatic, cloudy sky with shades of blue and white.

Lesson 14

The Firstborn Died

## **Exodus 11:4-7**

**"This is what the LORD says: `About midnight I will go throughout Egypt. 5. Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the slave girl, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well. 6. There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt--worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. 7. But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any man or animal.' Then you will know that the LORD makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel."**

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# **Why the Firstborn?**

**What is so significant about  
the firstborn child?**

**2**

**Is God Unfair?**

**Why would God strike down  
innocent children?**

**3**

**Do babies go to hell?**

**Or do they automatically go  
to heaven?**

**Some things we will  
never know!**

***“The secret things belong to the  
Lord our God, but the things  
that are revealed belong to us  
and to our children forever.”***

***– Deuteronomy 29:29***

# God's Truth

- ***God is always just – Genesis 18:25***
- ***God has no pleasure in the death of the wicked – Ezekiel 18:23 / 33:11***
- ***God doesn't want anyone to perish – 2 Peter 3:9.***
- ***God loves little children - Mark 10:14***
- ***God is merciful – Lam. 3:22-23***



# Extra Documents

- ❑ **Lecture notes & Scriptures**
- ❑ **Articles on death of babies**
- ❑ **Video Message: John Piper on Desiring God – on the death of the wicked.**

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