## **Exodus Chapter 1 – Discussion Guide**

## **Appling the Word to our Lives**

- The situation for Israel was impossible and overwhelming. But we learn in chapter two that God heard their cries. God loves to do the unexpected and miraculous for his children who call on Him in their need. What difficult or impossible situation are you facing that needs a miracle from God? Share your burden together and pray for each over that God would intervene wth a miracle.
- Jacob blessed his children giving them a prophetic word and for some a visual word picture of their life struggle. Can you think of any tombstones that tell of a person's life or faith? What epitaph would you put on your parent's tombstone?
- Shiphrah and Puah were heroines in this story. They refused to obey the king's command. They refuse to allow infanticide and/or abortion to be practiced. What can we do to stand tall in our generation of infanticide through abortion?
- It appears that Shiphrah and Puah lied to Pharaoh about the Hebrew women being lively in delivering before the midwife could be called. At best it was a half-truth and certainly deception. <u>Is there any other instance of people of God in Scripture lying? (Hint: Abraham, Sara, Rachel, Rahab, David) Is there any occasion when a lie is permissible? What would that occasion be?</u>

## ALWAYS ASK THESE QUESTION IN EVERY CHAPTER

**P** is there a promise to claim?

**E** is there an example to follow or avoid?

**P** is there a matter to pray about?

**S** is there a sin to avoid?

I is there any instruction to follow?