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Scripture Reading: Exodus 1:8-2:10

TODAY'S THOUGHT: How many cares does one lose when one decides not to be something but to be someone? —Coco Chanel

If you have children, did you keep a “baby book” when they were young? Parents today don’t keep baby books as often as previous generations of parents. Instead, they are more likely to maintain electronic baby books on the Internet that friends and family can view from anywhere in the world. But most of us kept baby books the old-fashioned way. We wrote down all the important events in a baby’s life: the first time he or she smiled, sat up, got a tooth, crawled, started to walk and started to speak. We recorded details like weight and height at birth, shower gifts and so on. All of this and more we recorded in a baby book.

Moses’ mother was Jochebed (her name is not mentioned in this reading). What do you suppose she recorded in Moses’ baby book? The striking thing about Jochebed is how she entrusted Moses to God’s care and protection. The baby Moses was in grave danger. The Pharaoh had ordered the execution of all male Hebrew babies. But Jochebed and Moses’ sister did what they could to protect baby Moses, and they let God do the rest. They put him in a waterproof basket and hid him in the weedy banks of the Nile River. And then, through a series of remarkable events, Jochebed was given her baby Moses to care for in his early life.

Jochebed was a person of faith! When it seemed her child would be taken from her, he was given back to her. Your children are no doubt well into their adult lives and may have children of their own. Some of you perhaps have suffered the loss of a child. Some of you may not have had children. Yet, all of us can appreciate the faith required in all of these situations. We are people of faith. Let’s continue to be strong in faith.

Prayer: Mighty God, You are my strength. You fortify my soul. May my faith ever grow stronger throughout my days. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

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ACTIVITY PAGE for the week of August 24, 2008

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday: Galatians 1-3

Monday: Jeremiah 43-46

Tuesday: Jeremiah 47-49

Wednesday: Jeremiah 50-52

Thursday: Lamentations 1-5

Friday: 1 Chronicles 1-3

Saturday: Psalms 91-93

Verse to Remember
*I have come that they may have life
and have it to the full.*

—John 10:10

NAME THIS HORSE!

Pastor Farnsworth bought an old nag for his grandchildren, but didn't know what to name it. As he stood in the pasture thinking, he noticed all kinds of birds flying around, each giving its own special call. Then, he got an idea.

Match the bird with its call, and write the letters in order in the space provided to find out the two-word name of Pastor Farnsworth's horse.

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| ___ 1. Dove | A. hiss |
| ___ 2. Crow | A. crow |
| ___ 3. Cock | E. caw |
| ___ 4. Duck | G. chirp |
| ___ 5. Eagle | I. cluck |
| ___ 6. Owl | L. scream |
| ___ 7. Sparrow | P. coo |
| ___ 8. Goose | R. quack |
| ___ 9. Hen | T. chatter |
| ___ 10. Magpie | Y. hoot |

RIDDLE:

How much earth is there in a hole 2 yards wide by 2 yards long by 2 yards deep?

BRAIN BAFFLERS!

Are You Smarter Than a Fourth-Grader?

"Are You Smarter Than a Fifth-Grader" is a popular television program. Contestants are awarded a lot of money if they can answer 10 questions in different areas of study that children in grades 1 to 5 study.

The following two questions come from an actual *fourth* grade class. They are not questions of fact, but questions that ask you to look for patterns.

These are not easy. But you will be interested and amused when you read the answers. Have fun.

1. What do these words have in common?

Banana
Dresser
Grammar
Potato
Revive
Uneven
Assess

2. What pattern do you see when you multiply 111,111,111 x 111,111,111?

ANSWERS: Riddle — None. Holes are always empty. **Brain Bafflers** —

Question 1: If you take the first letter of all the words listed and place them at the end of the word, and then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word. **Question 2:** 12,345,678,987,654,321.

Write the name of the horse here: _____