

METAPHYSICAL BIBLE INTERPRETATION
The Soul's Journey, part 2

EXIT PAIN & DARKNESS
ENTER LIGHT & LOVE

We are three-fold beings: Spiritual, Mental & Physical. Sometimes we do need to look to the outer to fulfill our physical needs. The twelve tribes of Israel descending into the darkness of sense consciousness, Egypt, is a demonstration of this. During seven years of drought and famine, it became necessary for them to go to Egypt where they found food and water. But they stayed too long, "Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph." (Exodus 1:8) They became subject to the Egyptians, just as we become subject to the darkness and negativity of sense consciousness when we stay too long from the light of Spirit.

But never fear, into the darkness is born the light of a special child, Moses, whose name literally means "drawing out or rescued". Raised in the darkness of sense consciousness (Moses had an Egyptian upbringing) it may take a special sometimes tragic event to motivate us to seek the spiritual path. Moses killed an Egyptian and then fled from Pharaoh. When we first come into the spiritual path we experience a cutting off from our past old ways of thinking. We often find ourselves in the wilderness of unfamiliar territory. The Holy Spirit will guide us in our new endeavors as Jethro assisted Moses in the Wilderness.

Then comes the time when we must take action. The Spirit burns within us, it does not consume our energies but renews and strengthens just as the burning bush was not consumed by the fire. We learn the name of God is "I AM", our sense of being and we know that we must bring this truth to our whole being to free ourselves from the bondage of belief in lack and limitation. "Let my people go..." (Exodus 7:16) The Ego (Pharaoh), the ruling aspect of sense consciousness, uses all its tricks to maintain control but through steadfast observance to the light of Spirit we are led through all manner of hardships (plagues) unscathed. The forces of nature (Red Sea, etc.) cooperate with one whose focus of mind and heart are set on God, on good.