

Series: Straight Outta Egypt

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Text: Exodus 1

Title: Multiply

Introduction

Hamsters, hamster cages, and multiplication

Need (What happens in life)

Everyone wants to be a part of a movement, but few people actually participate in the movement.

- Everybody wants to go to the game, but only a few play in the game.
- Everybody wants to hear the band, but few play in the band.
- Many want to be a part of a great church, but only a few are living for Jesus.
- I don't want to just watch, but I want to play my part in God's movement.

Why I want everyone to listen tonight.

Gospel: God will change your life tonight.

Relational: Listen to be a part of the conversation this Sunday AM.

Disciple: Listen to grow in your disciple making group

Missional: Listen so you can give what God gives you to others.

Bible (What God says)

Tell the story from Genesis to Exodus.

Exodus 1:6 Then Joseph died, and all his brothers and all that generation. ⁷But the people of Israel were fruitful and increased greatly; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them.

God is faithful to multiply His people into a movement!

Exodus 1:8-10 Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. ¹⁰Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.”

The world will try to stop God’s movement.

Exodus 1:12 But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad.

God’s movement is so powerful that it is unstoppable.

The Starfish Story

Exodus 1:15 Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶“When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live.” ¹⁷But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. ¹⁸So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and let the male children live?” ¹⁹The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the

Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.”²⁰ So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong.

God calls everyone to play their part in His movement.

Gospel (How we mess it up. How Jesus fixes it)

Jesus didn't come to lead a ministry, but He came to start a movement. They tried to threaten and intimidate Jesus. Even killing Him couldn't stop Him.

Then they threatened and intimidate His disciples, but they exploded over night from 120 to over 3000 in number. Then in just a short time, they grew to over 5000.

After Bible times, there have been many times when the world tries to stop the movement of God, but the more we're threatened to shut up, the more we speak up and the more we multiply.

I want you to know its okay to get fired up when the world tries to hold you down. Its okay to push forward when they try to hold you back. Its okay to speak up when they tell you to shut up. We believe in something far greater than what they can do to us.

Story

Human hamster cages to come life (How to bring the movement to life)

Personal (How we live from it)

3 Ways to PLAY YOUR PART in God's Movement:

1. Make disciples.
2. Share the Gospel.
3. Raise godly children.

Invitation

1. How many of you tonight need to play your part in God's movement?
2. How many of you tonight need to become a part in God's movement?