

SHIPHRAH AND PUAH | WEEK 3 PASTOR AARON BEASLEY

You don't need to be famous to make a

We are called to \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Fear of the Lord** is the foundation of wisdom. Knowledge of the Holy One results in good judgment. *Proverbs* 9:10

**Fear of the Lord** is a life-giving fountain; it offers escape from the snares of death. *Proverbs* 14:27

"Don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. **Fear only God**, who can destroy both soul and body in hell." *Matthew* 10:28

**Fear**: admiration, honor, ascribe our most authority, define who we are, how we act, who we obey

The fear of man is powerful because we have something to \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Exodus 1:8-12



Then Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, gave this order to the Hebrew midwives, Shiphrah and Puah: "When you help the Hebrew women as they give birth, watch as they deliver. If the baby is a boy, **kill him**; if it is a girl, let her live." *Exodus* 1:15-16

But because the midwives **feared God**, they **refused** to obey the king's orders. They allowed the boys to live, too. So the king of Egypt called for the midwives. "Why have you done this?" he demanded. "Why have you allowed the boys to live?" "The Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women," the midwives replied. "They are more vigorous and have their babies so quickly that we cannot get there in time." *Exodus* 1:17-19

What happens when we fear God more than man?

1. Others are \_\_\_\_\_.

So God was good to the midwives, and the Israelites **continued to multiply, growing more and more powerful**. *Exodus* 1:20

"Your obedience to God is an answer to someone's prayer." – author unknown

2. You always have something to \_\_\_\_\_\_.

And because the midwives feared God, **he gave them families of their own**. *Exodus* 1:21

"I believe Christians often **perceive obedience** to God as some **test** designed just to **see** if we're really committed to Him. But what if it's designed as God's way of giving us what's **best** for us?" – Craig Groeschel

God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will **receive the crown of life** that God has promised to those who love him. *James* 1:12

Will you fear God more than man?