

Song of an Old, Old Man

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Deuteronomy 31:30—32:12

Moses had lived a very long life. From the time he lay in a pitch-covered basket on the waters of the Nile, Moses had experienced God's protection and care. Years in pharaoh's household did not dim his conscience or solidarity with his enslaved brothers and sisters. He was past 80 when God called his name from a burning bush. He then spent the next 40 years leading a hard-hearted and unbelieving people through the wilderness.

Now Moses led the children and grandchildren of that first generation. He taught them once again the law he first received on Mount Sinai. He led them in reaffirming their covenant with God. In the end, Moses sang them a song and gave them his blessing. This song was not a lullaby, but a reminder of the importance of being faithful to God. It expressed great confidence in the Lord's ability to protect and deliver His children.

Moses gave the next generation a gift—an invitation to “praise the greatness of our God!”

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