

Jethro

Jethro was not an Israelite but nevertheless came to eventually worship the true Creator God after seeing and hearing of all that God had done for Israel.

Jethro's pagan religious background as a priest of Midian prepared him for rather than prevented him from responding in faith to the true Creator God of Israel.

Moses after he had killed an Egyptian who was flogging a fellow Hebrew, [Exodus 2:11-15] fled to Midian and made contact with Jethro's family.

Exodus 2:16-22 [New King James] *“Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters. And they came and drew water, and they filled the troughs to water their father's flock. Then the shepherds came and drove them away; but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock. When they came to Reuel their father, he said, ‘How is it that you have come so soon today?’ And they said, ‘An Egyptian delivered us from the hand of the shepherds, and he also drew enough water for us and watered the flock.’ So he said to his daughters, ‘And where is he? Why is it that you have left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread.’ Then Moses was content to live with the man, and he gave Zipporah his daughter to Moses. And she bore him a son. He called his name Gershom, for he said, ‘I have been a stranger in a foreign land.’”*

Moses remained in Midian and worked for Jethro's family as a shepherd.

What a humble experience for Moses who had lived as the son of an Egyptian princess, but this was part of his preparation to be used by the Creator God to bring Israel out of captivity in Egypt.

Jethro and Moses must have developed a close relationship, for Moses readily accepted his father-in-law's advice, [Exodus 18:13-27].

Both men benefited from knowing the other. Jethro met the true Creator God through Moses and Moses received hospitality, his wife and wisdom from Jethro.

Lessons we learn from Jethro can be the same as Moses learnt.

Supervision and administration are best a team effort.

The Creator God's plan is for all humanity, even those who are at this time locked into pagan religions.

The best way to introduce the true Creator God to a person who does not yet know Him is through our personal humble example and through serving people.