



ETHIOPIAN TEWAHEDO · BONUS STUDY

Tobit

Mercy and faithful living in exile

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DATE & CONTEXT · Often dated between the third and second centuries BC

The big picture

Tobit follows a family living far from its homeland, with suffering, prayer, a journey, marriage, and healing woven into the story. Acts of mercy remain significant when life becomes difficult. The narrative joins household faithfulness to a wider sense of divine care and asks readers to attend to people who are easily overlooked.

Reading to explore

Tobit 1-4; 12

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Live it

- 01 Offer practical care to someone isolated.
- 02 Include your household's needs in prayer.
- 03 Choose generosity that respects the dignity of the recipient.

Pause & reflect

Who nearby needs care that I have been too hurried to notice?

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