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Al Mohager

Set three thousand years ago Ram, a member of a poor tribe, dreams of a different life. He can think of nothing but escaping the arid land, where one either fears famine because of drought or to be drowned in the torrential rains. His dream escape is to the land of the Pharaohs, the centre of the civilised world and finally he reaches Egypt, only to find greater trials awaiting him. Youssef Chahine has based the story on that of Joseph, the son of Jacob and through it delves into the past to bring us a story of universal contemporary relevance. *Sheila Whitaker*

Egypt 1994

Dir/Scr: Youssef Chahine

**Leading players: Kaled Nabawi, Yousra,
Mahmoud Hemeida, Michel Piccoli**

129 mins

