

FREEDOM FROM BONDAGE

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MESSAGE TITLE: GOD'S CONFIRMATION TO MOSES

“And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness. 2 And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go. 3 And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword. 4 And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens. 5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and ye make them rest from their burdens. 6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying, 7 Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves.” (Exodus 5:1-7)

1. The _____ with Pharaoh (v. 1)

A. With _____ (v. 1)

MOSES DECLARED GOD'S MESSAGE

Quote: “How simply, and yet with what authority, does Moses deliver his message to the Egyptian king!”—**Adam Clarke**

Definition: *feast*—a sacred festival, whether solemn or joyful

MOSES WITHHELD PART OF THE MESSAGE

“And the Lord said unto Moses, When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have put in thine hand: but I will harden his heart, that he shall not let the people go. 22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the Lord, Israel is my son, even my firstborn: 23 And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, even thy firstborn.” (Exodus 4:21-23)

B. With _____ (v. 3)

A THREE DAY'S JOURNEY

“And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land.” (Exodus 8:25)

“We will go three days’ journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God, as he shall command us.” (Exodus 8:27)

“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.” (Hebrews 10:25)

A SACRIFICE

THE PURPOSE OF OLD TESTAMENT SACRIFICES

To Look Forward to the Lamb of God—John 1:29

To Thank God for His Blessings—Psalm 107:22

To Give of Their Possessions to God—2 Samuel 24:24

THE PURPOSE OF NEW TESTAMENT WORSHIP

“Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.” (Peter 2:5)

Praise and Sing—Hebrews 13:15

Pray—1 Timothy 2:1-3

Give of Our Possessions—Philippians 4:18

2. The _____ of the World (v. 2)

A. _____ (v. 2a)

“Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,” (Romans 1:21-22)

B. _____ (v. 2a)

“Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves. 8 And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God. 9 Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words.” (Exodus 5:7-9)

3. The _____ for Moses (v. 22)

A. Moses’ _____ (v. 22)

Quote: “Moses did what all spiritual leaders must do when the going is tough: He took his burden to the Lord and honestly talked to Him about the situation.”—**Warren Wiersbe**

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?

“And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not by a mighty hand. 20 And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.” (Exodus 3:19-20)

WHY DID YOU SEND ME AT ALL?

B. God’s _____ (vv. 6:1-2)

HIS NAME

“I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.” (Isaiah 42:8)

Quote: “Jehovah is the special name of God that links Him with Israel and His covenants.”—**Warren Wiersbe**

HIS COVENANTS

“Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father’s house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.” (Genesis 12:1-3)

“And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; 14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance. 15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age. 16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.” (Genesis 15:13-16)

PROMISES FOR CHRISTIANS TODAY

Regarding Salvation

“In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;” (Ephesians 1:7)

Regarding Security

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.” (1 Peter 1:3-5)

Regarding Eternal life

“And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: 7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.” (Ephesians 2:6-7)

CONCLUSION

