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Exodus 3:10–12 (ESV) <sup>10</sup>Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." <sup>11</sup>But Moses said to God, "<u>Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt</u>?" <sup>12</sup>He said, "<u>But I will be with you</u>, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

## Life Principle: No Excuse Is A Good Excuse For Distrusting Or Disobeying God.

Bible Recap Exodus: Exodus 3:10

Exodus 4:1–5 (ESV) <sup>1</sup>Then Moses answered, "But behold, they will not believe me or listen to my voice, for they will say, 'The Lord did not appear to you.' " <sup>2</sup>The Lord said to him, "What is that in your hand?" He said, "A staff." <sup>3</sup>And he said, "Throw it on the ground." So he threw it on the ground, and it became a serpent, and Moses ran from it. <sup>4</sup>But the Lord said to Moses, "Put out your hand and catch it by the tail"—so he put out his hand and caught it, and it became a staff in his hand— <sup>5</sup>"that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you."

Exodus 4:10–12 (ESV) <sup>10</sup>But Moses said to the Lord, "Oh, <u>my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant</u>, but I am slow of speech and of tongue." <sup>11</sup>Then the Lord said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? <sup>12</sup>Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak."

Exodus 4:13–15 (ESV) <sup>13</sup>But he said, "Oh, my Lord, please send someone else." <sup>14</sup>Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses and he said, "Is there not Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well. Behold, he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. <sup>15</sup>You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and will teach you both what to do.

Exodus 3:13–15 (ESV) <sup>13</sup>Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.' " <sup>15</sup>God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

Revelation 1:8 (ESV) <sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

#### Life Principle: Yahweh (The Lord) Is Always.....

John 8:58–59 (ESV) <sup>58</sup>Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." <sup>59</sup>So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Exodus 4:21-23. Exodus 4:21–23 (ESV) <sup>21</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt, see that you do before Pharaoh all the miracles that I have put in your power. But <u>I will harden his heart, so that he will not let the people go</u>. <sup>22</sup>Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the Lord, Israel is my firstborn son,

<sup>23</sup>and I say to you, "Let my son go that he may serve me." If you refuse to let him go, behold, I will kill your firstborn son.'"

# Life Principle: God Will Use The Evil Of Men To Accomplish His Good Purposes.

Exodus 7:3–5 (ESV) <sup>3</sup>But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, <sup>4</sup>Pharaoh will not listen to you. Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and bring my hosts, my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great acts of judgment. <sup>5</sup>The Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring out the people of Israel from among them."

Exodus 10:1–2 (ESV) <sup>1</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go in to Pharaoh, for I have hardened his heart and the heart of his servants, that I may show these signs of mine among them, <sup>2</sup>and that you may tell in the hearing of your son and of your grandson how I have dealt harshly with the Egyptians and what signs I have done among them, that you may know that I am the Lord."

Exodus 9:15–16 (ESV) <sup>15</sup>For by now I could have put out my hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, and you would have been cut off from the earth. <sup>16</sup>But <u>for this purpose</u> <u>I have raised you up, to show you my power, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth.</u> (Quoted In Romans 9)

Acts 4:27–28 (ESV) <sup>27</sup>for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, <sup>28</sup>to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place.

Exodus 4:29–5:2, 6-7 (ESV) <sup>29</sup>Then Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the people of Israel. <sup>30</sup>Aaron spoke all the words that the Lord had spoken to Moses and did the signs in the sight of the people. <sup>31</sup>And the people believed; and when they heard that the Lord had visited the people of Israel and that he had seen their affliction, they bowed their heads and worshiped. <sup>1</sup>Afterward Moses and Aaron went and said to Pharaoh, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'Let my people go, that they may hold a feast to me in the wilderness.' <sup>2</sup>But Pharaoh said, "Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice and let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, and moreover, I will not let Israel go." ..... <sup>6</sup>The same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people and their foremen, <sup>7</sup>"You shall no longer give the people straw to make bricks, as in the past; let them go and gather straw for themselves.

Exodus 5:20–23 (ESV) <sup>20</sup>They (Israelites) met Moses and Aaron, who were waiting for them, as they came out from Pharaoh; <sup>21</sup>and they said to them, "<u>The Lord look on you and judge, because you have made us stink in the sight of Pharaoh</u> and his servants, and <u>have put a sword in their hand to kill us.</u>" <sup>22</sup>Then Moses turned to the Lord and said, "<u>O Lord, why have you done evil to this people? Why did you ever send me?</u> <sup>23</sup>For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, <u>he has done evil to this people</u>, and <u>you have not delivered your people at all."</u>

## Life Principle: Fully Obeying The Lord May Result In Intensified Problems And Perplexity.

Exodus 6:1–9 (ESV) <sup>1</sup>But the Lord said to Moses, "Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for with a strong hand he will send them out, and with a strong hand he will drive them out of his land." <sup>2</sup>God spoke to Moses and said to him, "I am the Lord. <sup>3</sup>I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the Lord I did not make myself known to them. <sup>4</sup>I also established my covenant with them

to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. <sup>5</sup>Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. <sup>6</sup>Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. <sup>7</sup>I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. <sup>8</sup>I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the Lord.'" <sup>9</sup>Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery.

## Life Principle: You Will Face Life Problems Better When You Remember The Lord's Greatness.

Exodus 7:9–13 (ESV) <sup>9</sup>"When Pharaoh says to you, 'Prove yourselves by working a miracle,' then you shall say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and cast it down before Pharaoh, that it may become a serpent.' " <sup>10</sup>So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the Lord commanded. Aaron cast down his staff before Pharaoh and his servants, and it became a serpent. <sup>11</sup>Then Pharaoh summoned the wise men and the sorcerers, and they, the magicians of Egypt, also did the same by their secret arts. <sup>12</sup>For each man cast down his staff, and they became serpents. But Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. <sup>13</sup>Still Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

#### Life Principle: A Stubborn Heart Will Not Believe Or Yield To The Lord Even With Undeniable Evidence.

John 3:19–20 (ESV) <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. <sup>20</sup>For <u>everyone who does wicked things hates</u> the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.

Luke 16:31 (ESV) <sup>31</sup>He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.' "

Exodus 7:17–20 (ESV) <sup>17</sup>Thus says the Lord, "By this you shall know that I am the Lord: behold, with the staff that is in my hand I will strike the water that is in the Nile, and it shall turn into blood. <sup>18</sup>The fish in the Nile shall die, and the Nile will stink, and the Egyptians will grow weary of drinking water from the Nile." '" <sup>19</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, their canals, and their ponds, and all their pools of water, so that they may become blood, and there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, even in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone.' " <sup>20</sup>Moses and Aaron did as the Lord commanded. In the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants he lifted up the staff and struck the water in the Nile, and all the water in the Nile turned into blood.

Exodus 7:23 (ESV) <sup>23</sup>Pharaoh turned and went into his house, and he did not take even this to heart.

Life Principle: The Lord Will Sometimes Expose The Weakness Of The Foolish Things That People Ultimately Trust Or Rely Upon.

Exodus 8:3–4 (ESV) <sup>3</sup>The Nile shall swarm with frogs that shall come up into your house and into your bedroom and on your bed and into the houses of your servants and your people, and into your ovens and your kneading bowls. <sup>4</sup>The frogs shall come up on you and on your people and on all your servants." ""

Exodus 8:7–8 (ESV) <sup>7</sup>But the magicians did the same by their secret arts and <u>made frogs come up on the land of Egypt</u>. <sup>8</sup>Then Pharaoh called Moses and Aaron and said, "<u>Plead with the Lord to take away the frogs</u> from me and from my people, and I will let the people go to sacrifice to the Lord."

Exodus 8:15 (ESV) <sup>15</sup>But when Pharaoh <u>saw that there was a respite, he hardened his heart</u> and would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

Life Principle: There's A Difference Between Hating Your Sin And Hating The Consequences Of Your Sin.

Exodus 8:18–19 (ESV) <sup>18</sup>The magicians tried by their secret arts to produce gnats, but they could not. So there were gnats on man and beast. <sup>19</sup>Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "<u>This is the finger of God</u>." But Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

Exodus 8:22–23 (ESV) <sup>22</sup>But on that day <u>I will set apart the land of Goshen</u>, where my people dwell, so that no swarms of flies shall be there, <u>that you may know that I am the Lord</u> in the midst of the earth. <sup>23</sup>Thus <u>I will put a division between my people and your people</u>. Tomorrow this sign shall happen." "

Exodus 8:25 (ESV) <sup>25</sup>Then Pharaoh called Moses and Aaron and said, "Go, sacrifice to your God within the land."

Exodus 8:28–29 (ESV) <sup>28</sup>So Pharaoh said, "I will let you go to sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only you must not go very far away. <u>Plead for me</u>." <sup>29</sup>Then Moses said, "Behold, I am going out from you and I will plead with the Lord that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow. <u>Only let not Pharaoh cheat again by not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord."</u>

Exodus 8:32 (ESV) <sup>32</sup>But Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also, and did not let the people go.

# Life Principle: Intercessory Prayer By The Righteous For The Wicked Is Very Effective.

Ezekiel 22:30–31 (ESV) <sup>30</sup>And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and <u>stand in the breach before me for the land, that I should not destroy it</u>, but I found none. <sup>31</sup>Therefore I have poured out my indignation upon them. I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath. I have returned their way upon their heads, declares the Lord God."

Psalm 106:23 (NLT) <sup>23</sup>So he declared he would destroy them. But Moses, his chosen one, <u>stepped between</u> the Lord and the people. He begged him to turn from his anger and not destroy them.

James 5:16b–18 (ESV) ...The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

Ezekiel 14:12–14 (ESV) <sup>12</sup>And the word of the Lord came to me: <sup>13</sup>"Son of man, when a land sins against me by acting faithlessly, and I stretch out my hand against it and break its supply of bread and send famine upon it, and cut off from it man and beast, <sup>14</sup>even if these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they would deliver but their own lives by their righteousness, declares the Lord God.