

Exodus 6:1

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Sunday Morning

Review:

1. Pharaoh was considered a god – he said he didn't know Jehovah God!
  - a. God will introduce Himself in the next 8 chapters
 

**Exodus 5:1** And afterward Moses and Aaron came and said to Pharaoh, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'Let My people go that they may celebrate a feast to Me in the wilderness.'"

V.2 But Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, and besides, I will not let Israel go."
2. Pharaoh makes life harder on the slaves b/c of Moses & Aaron
  - a. The slave foremen (who are slaves) ask Pharaoh why he is being so unreasonable
    - i. He tells them it is b/c of Moses & Aaron
    - ii. The slaves leave Pharaoh mad at Moses & Aaron

**5:20** When they<sup>(the foremen)</sup> left Pharaoh's presence, they met Moses and Aaron as they were waiting for them.

V.21 They said to them, "May the LORD look upon you and judge you, for you have made us odious in Pharaoh's sight and in the sight of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to kill us."

V.22 Then Moses returned to the LORD and said, "O Lord, why have You brought harm to this people? Why did You ever send me?"

V.23 "Ever since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Your name, he has done harm to this people, and You have not delivered Your people at all."

1. "Ever since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Your name, he has done harm to this people"
    - a. Moses stands before God totally discouraged
    - b. We looked at the **3 things** that had to take place before God delivered Israel
1. **Moses is learning to stand alone**
    - a. God takes the weakest of men to bring glory to Himself!
    - b. But that means that He must make them fit for service
  2. **Israel isn't ready to be delivered yet!**

- a. They don't see value in being delivered except their own personal comfort
  - b. They weren't really that unhappy w/ bondage until Moses & Aaron stirred things up!
    - i. Some people aren't that unhappy w/ being in sin's bondage
3. **Israel must see** their **deliverance** coming **from the outside** & not from themselves
- a. They only see Moses & Aaron – not God Who sent them
  - b. As long as a man looks to other people for deliverance he will remain **immature**
  - c. God is going to make it clear to Moses that only He, God, can do what needs to be done
    - i. It is clear in the conversation God has w/ Moses

6:1 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Now you shall see what **(I)** will do to Pharaoh; for under compulsion he will let them go, and under compulsion he will drive them out of his land."

V.2 God spoke further to Moses and said to him, "**(I)** am the LORD;

V.3 and **(I)** appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as God Almighty but by My name, LORD, **(I)** did not make Myself known to them.

V.4 "**(I)** also established My covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they sojourned.

V.5 "Furthermore **(I)** have heard the groaning of the sons of Israel, because the Egyptians are holding them in bondage, and **(I)** have remembered My covenant.

V.6 "Say, therefore, to the sons 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 their bondage. **(I)** will also redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments.

V.7 'Then **(I)** will take you for My people, and **(I)** will be your God; and you shall know that **(I)** am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

V.8 '**(I)** will bring you to the land which **(I)** swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and **(I)** will give it to you for a possession; **(I)** am the LORD."

1. "I"

- a. We see that God is planning on doing all the heavy lifting Himself
- b. We sometimes think we can help Him – we cannot

- i. Gal.2:20 aren't just words that Paul wrote down – they have real meaning

**Galatians 2:20** "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered Himself up for me.

- c. I truly feel sorry for those who believe that somehow they are the key to what God is doing
  - i. That thought is similar to the ant trying to tell the boot where to step

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1. "Then"

- a. "Then" stands for **after** all that has transpired up to this point
- b. Moses thought he knew **how** God was going to accomplish delivering Israel b/c God told him what He was going to do
  - i. Even though God told him **what** He didn't tell him **how!**
- c. Sometimes we know what God is going to do
  - i. Seldom do we know **how** He is going to do what He said
  - ii. For instance, God has promised to take care of our physical needs – but there is a good chance we don't know how He will accomplish that.

2. "**Now** you shall see"

- a. The "now" stands for a different course of action than has been up until now
- b. Trust isn't knowing how God will deal w/ life – Trust is knowing that He will

3. "under compulsion he will let them go, and under compulsion he will drive them out"

- a. Pharaoh isn't just going to let Israel go – when God is thru w/ him he will beg the people to go – he will drive them out of Egypt!

V.2 (NP)

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1. "**I** appeared to Abraham, Isaac...Jacob as God Almighty...by My name, LORD **I** did not make Myself known"
  - a. "God Almighty" is El-Shaddai – **all Powerful One**
  - b. "Lord" is Yahweh / Jehovah – "**I AM**"
  - c. He had revealed Himself as Jehovah before
  - d. When Abraham was going to offer Isaac & God provided a ram  
**Genesis 22:14 (YLT)** and Abraham calleth the name of that place `Jehovah-Jireh,' because it is said this day in the mount, `Jehovah doth provide.'
  - e. So what does He mean when He says that He hasn't revealed Himself as the "I AM" (Yahweh)
    - i. Jehovah/Yahweh is a covenant name
    - ii. It is a name that speaks of how God relates to man
  - f. What God is saying is – I haven't begun to show Israel how I will be all you ever need – you can trust Me
    - i. Moses will begin to trust God more & more as he leads Israel out of Egypt
  - g. This is true even now – God wants to reveal Himself more & more to us – so that we see that He is worthy of all of our trust
  - h. This process of revealing Himself will never end
    - i. This was written to the Church of Philadelphia  
**Revelation 3:12** ' He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write upon him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and **My new name.**
    - ii. A trillion years from now – God will appear more magnificent to us than ever before – why not get to know Him now  
**Psalm 34:8** O taste and see that the LORD is good; How blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

- iii. I don't want to get to heaven & find out how much better life could have been

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1. "**I** will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians"
  - a. In the following verses God lays out the 7 "I wills" of redemption
  - b. **#1.** "I will bring you out from under the burdens of...Egyptians"
  - c. Remember the O.T. was written so that we could see God's thoughts in 3D

**Romans 15:4** For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

- d. Egypt is a picture of the world

- i. The world, flesh & devil are burdens that weighs down every sinner

**Proverbs 13:15(KJV)** Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors *is hard*.

**Proverbs 4:19** The way of the wicked is like darkness; They do not know over what they stumble.

- e. Man before salvation is compared to a donkey – a beast of burden

**Exodus 13:13 (NASB77)**

<sup>13</sup> "But every first offspring of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, but if you do not redeem *it*, then you shall break its neck; and every first-born of man among your sons you shall redeem.

2. "**#2.** I will deliver you from their bondage" (NP)

2. x "**#2.** I will deliver you from their bondage"
- It is one thing to be redeemed from the penalty of sin
  - It is another to be freed from the bondage of sin
  - When we turn to Christ He frees us from the slavery of sin  
**Romans 5:20** And the Law came in that the transgression might increase; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more,  
<sup>21</sup> that, as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**6:1** What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase?  
<sup>2</sup> May it never be! How shall we who **died** to sin still live in it?  
<sup>3</sup> Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death?  
<sup>4</sup> Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into **death**, in order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.
3. "**#3.** I will also redeem you with an outstretched arm"
- This speaks of God delivering us by His power – **not** our power  
**Isaiah 53:1** Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?  
**V.6** All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the **iniquity of us** all To fall on Him.<sup>(instead of us)</sup>
- V.7 'Then **I** will take you for My people, and **I** will be your God; and you shall know that **I** am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.
- "**#4.** Then **I** will take you for My people"
- God saves us that we might belong to Him  
**1 Peter 2:10** for you once were NOT A PEOPLE, but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY.

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2. "**#5. I will be your God**"

- a. God is willing to be called our God

**Hebrews 11:16** But as it is, they desire a better *country*, that is a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He has prepared a city for them.

**Revelation 21:7 (NASB77)**

<sup>7</sup> " He who overcomes shall inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son.

V.8 'I will bring you to the land which **I** swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and I will give it to you for a possession; **I** am the LORD.'"

1. "**#6. I will bring you to the land**"

- a. God would bring Israel to the land of Canaan

- b. Canaan doesn't represent heaven – It is a picture of the **Spirit filled life**

**Ephesians 4:1** I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, entreat you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,

**V.17** This I say therefore, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind,

<sup>18</sup> being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God, **because** of the ignorance that is in them, **because** of the hardness of their heart;

<sup>19</sup> and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality, for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

2. "**#7. I will give it to you for a possession**"

- a. All eternity is ours b/c of Christ

**1 Peter 1:4-5** to *obtain* an inheritance *which is* imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

<sup>5</sup> who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.