

# Up From Slavery

A man / A people / A plan

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Hope for the Hopeless  
Exodus 6

# The catalyst for doubt

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- Obedience
- Failure
- Responsibility

# The corrective

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## 1. Get real

<sup>22</sup> Moses returned to the LORD and said, “O Lord, why have you brought trouble upon this people? Is this why you sent me? <sup>23</sup> Ever since I went to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has brought trouble upon this people, and you have not rescued your people at all.” Exodus 5:22–23

# The corrective

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1. Get real

2. Remember

a) Who is the boss (1, 2, 6, 8 )

<sup>1</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Now you will see what I will do to Pharaoh: Because of my mighty hand he will let them go; because of my mighty hand he will drive them out of his country.”

I am the LORD – repeated 3 times

# The corrective

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1. Get real

2. Remember

a) Who is the boss (1,2,6, & 8))

b) Who the boss is (2-5)

<sup>2</sup> God also said to Moses, “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, where they lived as aliens. <sup>5</sup> Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the Israelites, whom the Egyptians are enslaving, and I have remembered my covenant.

# The corrective

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1. Get real

2. Remember

a) Who is the boss (1 & 5)

b) Who the boss is (2-5)

c) Recalibrate (6-8)

<sup>6</sup> “Therefore, say to the Israelites: ‘I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. <sup>7</sup> I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. <sup>8</sup> And I will bring you to the land I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob. I will give it to you as a possession. I am the LORD.’ ”

<sup>6</sup> “Therefore, say to the Israelites: ‘**I am** the LORD, and **I will** bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. **I will** free you from being slaves to them, and **I will redeem** you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. <sup>7</sup> **I will** take you as my own people, and **I will** be your God. Then **you will** know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. <sup>8</sup> And **I will** bring you to the land I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob. **I will** give it to you as a possession. **I am** the LORD.’ ”

## Promises Promises . . .

1. I will bring you out from under the Egyptians.
2. I will free you from being slaves
3. I will redeem you
4. I will take you as my own people
5. I will be your God & you will know that I am the LORD your God
6. I will bring you to the land I promised Abraham
7. I will give it to you

## Exodus

1. I will bring you out from under the Egyptians.

## New Testament

"I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

John 5:24

## Exodus

2. I will free you from being slaves

## New Testament

You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. Rom 6:18

## Exodus

### 3. I will redeem you

## New Testament

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. <sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

Titus 2:11-14

## Exodus

4. I will take you as my own people

## New Testament

Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God--

John 1:12

so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the

universe

Phil 2:15

## Exodus

5. I will be your God Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians.

## New Testament

<sup>4</sup> But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. <sup>6</sup> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,

Ephesians 2:4–6

## Exodus

6. will bring you to the land I promised Abraham

## New Testament

"Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. Acts 20:32

. . . who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession--to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:14

## Exodus

7. I will give it to you

## New Testament

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade--kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

1Peter 1:3-5

## Exodus

8. I am the Lord.

## New Testament

<sup>20</sup> For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God.

2 Corinthians 1:20

# The corrective

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1. Get real

2. Remember

a) Who is the boss (1 & 5)

b) Who the boss is [Reflect on his character (2-5)]

c) Recalibrate (6-8)

d) Return (9-11)

<sup>9</sup> Moses reported this to the Israelites, but they did not listen to him because of their discouragement and cruel bondage.

<sup>10</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, <sup>11</sup> “Go, tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the Israelites go out of his country.”

<sup>12</sup> But Moses said to the LORD, “If the Israelites will not listen to me, why would Pharaoh listen to me, since I speak with faltering lips?”

## To Go . . .

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- Have you ever experienced spiritual depression?
- When are you most tempted to doubt God?
- Why is it so difficult for us to really believe the promises of God?
- What have you learned from Moses about confronting and overcoming spiritual depression?
- Next Week: Exodus 7