

THE WHOLE COUNSEL OF GOD

**A Journey Through the
Old Testament**

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Exodus 5

22 So Moses returned to the LORD and asked,

“Lord, why have You brought trouble upon this people?

Is this why You sent me?

23 Ever since I went to Pharaoh to speak in Your name, he has brought trouble on this people, and You have not delivered Your people in any way.”

Exodus 6

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**9 Moses relayed this message to the Israelites,
but on account of their broken spirit
and cruel bondage, they did not listen to
him.**

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10 So the LORD said to Moses,

11“Go and tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the Israelites go out of his land.”

12 But in the LORD’s presence Moses replied,

“If the Israelites will not listen to me, then how will Pharaoh listen to me, since I am unskilled in speech?”

[I have uncircumcised lips]

Exodus 6

13 Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron and gave them a charge concerning both the Israelites and Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the Israelites out of the land of Egypt.

Exodus 6

28 Now on the day that the LORD spoke to Moses in Egypt,

29 He said to him, “I am the LORD; tell Pharaoh king of Egypt everything I say to you.”

30 But in the LORD’s presence Moses replied,

“Since I am unskilled in speech, why would Pharaoh listen to me?”

Exodus 7

- 1 The LORD answered Moses, “See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet.**
- 2 You are to speak all that I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his land.**
- 3 But I will harden Pharaoh’s heart, and though I will multiply My signs and wonders in the land of Egypt,**
- 4 Pharaoh will not listen to you.**

Exodus 7

4 Then I will lay My hand on Egypt, and by mighty acts of judgment I will bring the divisions of My people the Israelites out of the land of Egypt.

5 And the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD, when I stretch out My hand against Egypt and bring the Israelites out from among them.”



Exodus 7

6 So Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD had commanded them.

7 Moses was eighty years old and Aaron was eighty-three when they spoke to Pharaoh.

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Therefore, the object of our faith is what we
focus on to be strengthened in our faith.

Hebrews 12

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off every encumbrance and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with endurance the race set out for us.

2 **Let us fix our eyes on Jesus**, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

3 **Consider Him** who endured such hostility from sinners, **so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.**

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Isaiah 42

**6 "I, the LORD, have called you
for a righteous purpose,
and I will take hold of your hand.
I will keep you and appoint you
to be a covenant for the people
and a light to the nations,
7 to open the eyes of the blind,
to bring prisoners out of the dungeon
and those sitting in darkness
out from the prison house.**

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- **By always remembering His covenant with us in Christ, our hearts are encouraged and strengthened.**

Titus 3

1 Remind the believers...

3 For at one time we too were foolish, disobedient, misled, and enslaved to all sorts of desires and pleasures—living in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another.

4 But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared,

5 He saved us, not by the righteous deeds we had done, but according to His mercy, through the washing of new birth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

Titus 3

6 This is the Spirit He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

7 so that, having been justified by His grace, we would become heirs with the hope of eternal life.

8 This saying is trustworthy.

And I want you to emphasize these things, so that those who have believed God will take care to devote themselves to good deeds.

These things are excellent and profitable for the people.

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3. He would point you to His promises.

- Our eyes of faith are to be focused upon those things that God has promised HE WILL DO...
 - not on people around us
 - not on the enemy
 - not on our own deficiencies
 - not what we are called to do
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Hebrews 6

13 When God made His promise to Abraham, since He had no one greater to swear by, He swore by Himself,

14 saying, "I will surely bless you and multiply your descendants."

15 And so Abraham, after waiting patiently, obtained the promise.

Hebrews 6

16 Men swear by someone greater than themselves, and their oath serves as a confirmation to end all argument.

17 So when God wanted to make the unchanging nature of His purpose very clear to the heirs of the promise, He guaranteed it with an oath.

18 Thus by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be strongly encouraged.

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