Exodus 5 & 6

- 1. Moses father in law was named Jethro. T F
- 2. Horeb and Sinai are two different mountains. T F
- 3. Moses was amazed at how quickly the bush burned and was consumed. T F
- 4. God told Moses that Moses was going to deliver the people from the hand of the Egyptians. T F
- Moses was confident that he had what it took to speak to Pharaoh. T F
- 6. God told Moses to tell the children of Israel that I AM sent you to them. T F
- 7. How many days journey did the Lord request the people go to sacrifice unto God?
- 8. God promised when the people were delivered they would have spoil to take with them. T F
- 9. God told Moses if the people would not believe him, they would believe the first sign Moses showed them.
- 10. Moses had perfect speech. T F
- 11. God promised to teach Moses how to speak and what to say. T F
- 12. Who did God appoint to be Moses spokesperson while Moses learned to speak?

^{*}Bonus question; How old was Moses at this time?

- **5** 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.¹
- ²And 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.²
- ³And 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.
- ⁴And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.³
- ⁵ And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and ye make them rest from their burdens.
- ⁶And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying,
- ⁷Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves. 4
- 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.
- ⁹Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words.⁵
- ¹⁰ And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

¹ The request to Pharaoh is explained to have come from God. Moses and Aaron are not making the request because of their own desires.

² Pharaoh has no knowledge of Jehovah, and therefore no respect for him. The people who were oppressed were not strong enough to have a God strong enough to cause Pharaoh to give them a vacation.

³ Moses and Aaron were not slaves, but the Pharaoh makes no distinction of them from everyone else.

⁴ Pharaoh's response to the request is to make the Jews workload heavier, by withholding the straw, and not decreasing the workload it is even more burdensome to the Jews.

⁵ Pharaoh's belief is that Moses and Aaron are feeding "vain words" into the minds of the Jews causing their discontent, and a decrease in their production.

- ¹¹Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished.
- ¹²So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.
- ¹³ And the taskmasters hasted them, saying, Fulfil your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw.
- ¹⁴And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten⁶, and demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?
- ¹⁵Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh⁷, saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?
- ¹⁶There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, thy servants are beaten; but the fault is in thine own people.
- ¹⁷But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go and do sacrifice to the LORD.
- ¹⁸Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.⁸
- ¹⁹And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were in evil case, after it was said, Ye shall not minish ought from your bricks of your daily task.
- ²⁰ And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:
- ²¹ And they said unto them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savour to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh⁹, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

⁶ The recoil from Moses and Aaron's request causes the Jewish overseers to be beaten because of the decreased production from the slaves.

⁷ The first response from the overseers was to complain to Pharaoh.

⁸ No straw, yet the same amount of bricks is required.

⁹ No satisfaction from Pharaoh, they go to Moses and Aaron. They blame them for their situation.

- ²²And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, LORD, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me?
- ²³ For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all. ¹⁰
- **6** Then the LORD said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land.¹¹
- ²And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the LORD:
- ³And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.
- ⁴And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.
- ⁵And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.
- ⁶Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:
- ⁷And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 12
- ⁸And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I am the LORD.
- ⁹And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage. ¹³

¹⁰ Moses was expecting a quick deliverance from Egypt. But deliverance is not often rapid, there are usually obstacles, hurdles, and detours that slow down the process of redemption.

¹¹ God will make sure you understand that it is Him who delivers you. That's why there are obstacles, hurdles and detours. So we do not think we delivered ourselves.

¹² Verses 2 thru 7 are God's instructions to Moses to tell the people about their deliverance from Egypt.

¹³ The children of Israel do not heed the words of Moses because they are in oppression, and not faithful.

- ¹⁰ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- ¹¹Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land.
- ¹²And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncircumcised lips?¹⁴
- ¹³ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.
- ¹⁴These be the heads of their fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these be the families of Reuben.
- ¹⁵And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these are the families of Simeon.
- ¹⁶ And these are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the life of Levi were an hundred thirty and seven years.
- ¹⁷The sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi, according to their families.
- ¹⁸ And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kohath were an hundred thirty and three years.
- ¹⁹ And the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi: these are the families of Levi according to their generations.
- ²⁰And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; ¹⁵ and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were an hundred and thirty and seven years.

¹⁴ Obviously lips are not circumcised, this phrase means Moses again reminds God that he does not speak well. Moses makes the point that if those who believe won't hear me, how then can Pharaoh hear me when he has no belief.

¹⁵ Beginning at verse 14 the Bible gives us an outline of the genealogy of the three oldest of Jacob's sons, ending with Moses father and mother. Moses father married his aunt.

- ²¹ And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.
- ²² And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.
- ²³ And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
- ²⁴ And the sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these are the families of the Korhites.
- ²⁵ And Eleazar Aaron's son took him one of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare him Phinehas: these are the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families. ¹⁶
- ²⁶These are that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their armies.
- ²⁷These are they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron.
- ²⁸ And it came to pass on the day when the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt,
- ²⁹That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I am the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee.
- ³⁰ And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me?¹⁷

¹⁶ It is believed that these three sons of Israel are highlighted here because each of them brought shame to the house of Israel, yet they were still allowed to prosper and continue. Moses even includes an incestuous marriage between his father and mother that in the book of Leviticus he condemns.

¹⁷ The unworthiness felt by Moses is again expressed here just before God begins to work thru him to bring the children of Israel out of Egypt.