

Exodus 5:2

“And Pharaoh said, ‘Who is the Lord, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, nor will I let Israel go.’”

Exodus 5:9

“Let more work be laid on the men, that they may labor in it, and let them not regard false (empty) words.”

Despite the negative and arrogant response given to Moses by Pharaoh, Moses knew and highly regarded what God had already said at the burning bush concerning the judgments and the promises. God’s words far outweighed Pharaoh’s blatant disregard. While the judgments God pronounced were aimed at exposing the powerless gods of Egypt, even more so, Moses knew God’s promise of redemption (and all it entails) was to be revealed to, in and through His chosen people.

However, Moses had to exercise patience (perseverance) concerning the rebellion of Pharaoh and the Egyptians; and he (Moses) knew there was no need to compromise God’s word or His requirements since God was and still is well able to perform His will in spite of opposition, including Pharaoh’s.

Hebrews 6:11-12

“And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, that you do not become sluggish (lazy) but imitate those who through faith and patience (perseverance) inherit the promises.”

Perseverance (longsuffering): **Makrothumia** (Gr.)

James 1:4

“But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect (mature) and complete, lacking nothing.

Patience: **Hupomeno** (Gr.)

(See Romans 8:28,29) | Hup – To remain in one spot; to keep position, to maintain territory

31,34 | Mak – Patient restraint of anger (macros – long; thumos – anger)
forbearance, patience

Compromise #1:

“Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, ‘Go Sacrifice to your God in the land.’”
(Exodus 8:25)

The key word here is “in.” Pharaoh saw no reason for the children of Israel to leave Egypt. His thought, *do whatever you want—worship, pray, sing, etc. Just stay in the land of Egypt, within the border of BONDAGE!*

- A. You can be as religious as you want, but just don’t make a complete break from the world.
 - a. Don’t become so narrow minded that you just become boring.
 - b. After all, righteousness is a gift; it is not earned.
 - c. We are saved by grace, not by works, right?

- B. It doesn’t matter what you believe, just as long as you are sincere.
 - a. God loves me just the way I am. It’s all about love, baby!
 - b. We are all God’s children.
 - c. He wouldn’t send you to hell, that is, if hell exists!

(See John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Rom 6:1; Gal 1:4; John 15:19; Heb 13:13; II Cor 6:17-18)

Exodus 8:26-27

“It is not right to do so, for we shall sacrifice to the Lord our God what is an abomination to the Egyptians. If we sacrifice what is an abomination to the Egyptians before their eyes, will they not stone us? We must go a three days’ journey into the wilderness and sacrifice to the Lord our God as He commands us.”

The Egyptians considered certain animals to be sacred. And if they (Israel) killed them, the Egyptians would be highly offended.

See I Cor. 1:18, 23-25; I Cor. 2:14; Gal. 6:14)

Compromise #2:

“So Pharaoh said, ‘I will let you go, that you may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only you shall not go very far away, intercede for me.’”

This was really a modification of Compromise #1, just more subtle. Just don’t go too far away.

- The enemy says, “You can be saved and still do stuff; God will forgive you. (However, forgiveness from sin is not permission to sin.)
- Don’t be fanatical! You know you can still have fun.
- God loves you and He understands you are only human.

A. Satan does not want to lose control of you!

- a) Compromising with the enemy will cause you to present the Father in the wrong light/way.

We must present God in the correct light, always! (Ex. Moses and the rock...)

B. Don't mix business with religion.

- a) Keep your convictions to yourself.
- b) Keep the church at church and leave the business arena alone.

(See II Cor. 6:14-17)

Moses understood the principle of separation. Separation involves two (2) aspects:

- God wants us separated "out of"
- God wants us separated "into"

Separate from whatever is contrary to the will of God and be separated to Him!

What does being separate from the world mean?

Being separate from the world does not mean that we lose contact with it.

- Worldliness is not simply contact with the world; it is complying with or conforming to the world's ideologies or the world system and now they operate.
- See John 17:15, Rom 12:1-3

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Compromise #3: (Read Exodus 10:6-9)

“Then he (Pharaoh) said to them, ‘The Lord had better be with you when I let you go and your little ones go! Beware. For evil is ahead of you. Not so! Go now, you who are men, and serve the Lord, for that is what you desired.’ And they were driven out of Pharaoh’s presence.

(Exodus 10:11)

- A. You can be saved and go on with the Lord, but don’t put all that stuff on your children.
 - a. Let your children choose for themselves.
 - b. Don’t make your children live by your standards.
 - c. **From a false assumption we deduce absurd conclusions** (from Philosophy: Reductio ad Absurdum). Ex. If your son wants to be a girl or your daughter wants to be a boy; that’s their choice.

TRUTH: Children are actually loaned to parents by God, and parents are responsible for training them to live as they should. (Not as they would!)

Ex. – Ephesians 4:11-16

“And God gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come into the unity of the faith, and the knowledge of the Son of God [Eternal life = knowing God and His Son], unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part,

maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love (In short, until we are all conformed to the image of His Son!).

Raising children is an awesome responsibility, for what we sow into their lives, we will later reap.

- See Ephesians 6:4; Proverbs 22:6

Pharaoh knew that if the men left their families in Egypt, they would have to return to them in Egypt. Love would draw them back.

However...

See II Timothy 3:15; Eph. 6:4; Gen. 18:19; Ecclesiastes 3:11, Deut. 6:6-7)

Compromise #4:

“Then Pharaoh called for Moses and said, ‘You go and serve the Lord; only leave your flocks and herds behind, while you take your little ones along.’”

(Exodus 10:24)

A. There are two (2) ways to look at this.

1. “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Matt. 6:21)
 - One can always tell where a person’s heart is by seeing where his money goes.
 - Your money does not follow your heart, your heart follows your money.
 - Pharaoh knew if he could get Moses to leave wealth and livelihood in Egypt, Moses and Israel would long to go back to Egypt and stay in bondage.
 - If we ever intend on being a blessing, we must develop a habit of giving, or investing in the things of the Kingdom of God.
 - If we intend on receiving from God, and the Kingdom, we have to learn to practice the law of reflection, which entails giving and receiving, seedtime and harvest.

- (See Luke 6:38)

2. "I cannot and will not give you my father's inheritance." (I Kings 21:3)

- Do not forfeit your inheritance, nor allow the enemy to take! He wants all your inheritance and He wants to keep all things He has stolen from you.
- (See I Samuel 30:18,19)

"Moses Firmly declared, 'Our livestock must therefore come with us; not a hoof shall be left behind....'" (Exodus 10:26)

- I shall recover all!
- I shall receive everything Christ did for!

"The thief comes to kill, steal, and destroy; but I (Yeshua, Jesus) have come that you might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

"Pharaoh replied, 'Get away from me and see to it that you never come near me again; for if I ever see you again, you shall die!'" (John 10:28)
