



Sermon Notes

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Exodus 3:7-8

⁷ The LORD said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸ So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey

God’s love is unconditional, but His promises are not

Deuteronomy 5:32

³² So be careful to do what the LORD your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left. ³³ Walk in obedience to all that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.

An obedient question to ask: *God, what do you want out of me during this?*

Joshua 1:1-2

1 After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses’ aide: ² “Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites.

God will not force us to be obedient and reach our destiny.

Joshua 3:5

⁵ Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.”

Consecrate: *Devote exclusively to a particular purpose. Make or declare sacred; dedicate formally to a divine purpose.*

We need to *redeem this time.*

God wants us to *trust* Him completely, *surrender* to Him completely, and *enjoy* Him completely.



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Isaiah 57:10

*¹⁰ You wearied yourself by such going about,
but you would not say, 'It is hopeless.'*

Message Version:

*You wear yourselves out trying the new and the different,
and never see what a waste it all is.*

Isaiah 55:1-2

*¹ "Come, all you who are thirsty,
come to the waters;*

*and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat!*

*Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without cost.*

*² Why spend money on what is not bread,
and your labor on what does not satisfy?*

*Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,
and you will delight in the richest of fare.*

Matthew 11:28-30

*²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke
upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your
souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."*



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