

Exodus 4:10—7:25

- ¹⁰ And Moses said to the Lord,
“I am begging, Lord! I am not sufficient—not before yesterday and not before the third day and not from when you began to speak to your attendant. I myself am weak-voiced and heavy-tongued.”
- ¹¹ And the Lord said to Moses,
“Who gave a mouth to a human? And who made a mute-man and a deaf-man, a seeing-man and a blind-man? Is it not I the Creator? ¹² And now you must journey and I myself will open your mouth and I myself will join with you, the one about to speak!”
- ¹³ And Moses said,
“I am begging, Lord! Handpick another, one being able, who you will send out!”
- ¹⁴ And after becoming impassioned with anger, the Lord said upon Moses,
“Look, is not Aaron your brother, the Levite? I am understanding that while speaking, he will speak for you and look, he himself will come out for a meeting with you and, after seeing you, he will rejoice in himself. ¹⁵ And you will speak to him and you will give my words into his mouth and I myself will open your mouth and his mouth and I will join with you in the things you must do. ¹⁶ And he himself will speak for you to the people and he himself will be your mouth. And you yourself will be for him the things for the Creator. ¹⁷ And this staff, the one turning into a serpent, you will take in your hand—with it you will do the signs.”
- ¹⁸ And Moses journeyed and returned to Jethro his father-in-law and he is saying,
“I will journey and I will return to my brothers in Egypt and I will see if they are still living.”
- And Jethro said to Moses,
“Proceed while being healthy!”
- And after those many days, the king of Egypt came-to-an-end. ¹⁹ And the Lord said to Moses in the land of Midian,
“Proceed, go away into Egypt for all those seeking your soul have died.”
- ²⁰ And Moses, after taking up his wife and dependents, he moved them upon the yoked-animals and returned to Egypt. And Moses took the staff from the Creator in his hand. ²¹ And the Lord said to Moses,
“While you are journeying and returning into Egypt, you must see all the terrors which I gave into your hands. You will do them before Pharaoh. And I myself will harden Pharaoh’s heart and so he might never send out the people. ²² And you yourself will say to Pharaoh, ‘The Lord is saying these things, “My firstborn son is Israel. ²³ And I said to you, you must send out my people so that they might serve me. Therefore, if you might not be willing to send them out, then you must see that I will kill your son, the firstborn.”’”
- ²⁴ And it happened on the way, in the guestroom, that the angel of the Lord met him and sought to kill him. ²⁵ And after Zipporah took a stone, she circumcised the foreskin of her son and fell at his feet and said,
“The blood of the circumcision of my little-dependent stood.”
- ²⁶ And the angel went away from because she said,
“The blood of the circumcision of my little-dependent stood.”
- ²⁷ And the Lord said to Aaron,
“You must journey to meet Moses in the wilderness. And journey and meet with him on the mountain of the Creator and befriend each other.”
- ²⁸ And Moses announced to Aaron all the words of the Lord which he sent out and all the signs which he commanded him. ²⁹ And Moses and Aaron journeyed and gathered with the council of the sons of Israel. ³⁰ And Aaron spoke all these words which the Creator spoke to Moses and practiced the signs before the people. ³¹ And the people trusted and rejoiced that the Creator watched over the sons of Israel and that he saw their oppressions. And after bending, the people became-like-dogs.
- ^{5.1} And after these things, Moses and Aaron came to Pharaoh and they said to him,
“The Lord Creator of Israel is saying these things, ‘You must send-out my people so that they might festival for me in the wilderness.’”
- ² And Pharaoh said,
“Who is this that I should listen to his voice to send out the sons of Israel? I do not perceive the Lord. And I will not send Israel out.”
- ³ And they are saying to him,
“The Creator of the Hebrews has summoned us. Therefore, we will journey the way for three days into the wilderness so we might sacrifice to our Creator, or-else death or killing might meet with us.”
- ⁴ And the king of Egypt said to them,
“Why, Moses and Aaron, are you turning my people from the works? Each of you must go away to his works!”
- ⁵ And Pharaoh said,
“Look, the people are greatly-increasing, therefore, we should not stop them from the works!”
- ⁶ And Pharaoh commanded the work-masters of the people and the scribes, saying,
⁷ “No longer will it be added to give straw to the people for the brick-making like yesterday and the third day! They themselves must journey and they must gather the straw for themselves! ⁸ And the quota of the bricks which they themselves are making each day, you must pile-on for them! You will take-away nothing! For they are relaxing! Because of this they have cried out, saying, ‘We should journey and sacrifice to our Creator!’ ⁹ The works of these humans must be weighty and they must worry about these things and they must not worry about empty words!”
- ¹⁰ And the work-masters and the scribes sped them and they were saying to the people, saying,
“Pharaoh is saying these things, ‘I am no longer giving you straw. ¹¹ You yourselves while journeying are collecting for yourselves straw from wherever you might find it, for it is not taking away anything from your quota.’”
- ¹² And the people were scattered in all of Egypt to gather a reed for straw. ¹³ And the work-masters sped them, saying,
“You must complete the works coming-down each day just as when straw was given to you!”
- ¹⁴ And the scribes of the group of the sons of Israel were whipped, those set upon them, by the masters of Pharaoh, who were saying,
“Why did you not complete your quotas of brick just like yesterday and the third day, also the same today?!”
- ¹⁵ And after coming, the scribes of the sons of Israel shouted at Pharaoh, saying,
“Why are you doing this to your house-members?! ¹⁶ Not giving straw to your house-members and they are saying for us to make brick! And look, your dependents have been whipped! Therefore, you will bring-unrighteousness on your people!”

- ¹⁷ And he said to them,
“You are relaxing! You are a relaxing-people because you are saying, ‘We should journey, we should sacrifice to our Creator.’ ¹⁸ Therefore, now, after journeying you must work! For straw will not be given to you and you will give-back the quota of brick!”
- ¹⁹ And the scribes of the sons of Israel were seeing themselves in harmful-things, saying,
“You will not abandon the brick which is coming-down each day!”
- ²⁰ And they met with Moses and Aaron, coming to meet with them, while they were coming out from Pharaoh. ²¹ And they said to them,
“May the Creator see you and judge, because you made our smell detestable before Pharaoh and before his attendants to give a blade into his hand to kill us!”
- ²² And Moses turned to the Lord and said,
“Lord, why did you harm this people and why did you send me?! ²³ And when I had journeyed to Pharaoh to speak at your name, he harmed this people and you did not rescue your people!”
- ^{6.1} And the Lord said to Moses,
“Already you will see the things I will do to Pharaoh, for with a clinging hand he will send them out and with a high arm he will throw them out from his earth.”
- ² And the Creator spoke to Moses and he said to him,
“I am the Lord. ³ And I was seen by Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, being their Creator. And my name, the Lord, I did not show to them. ⁴ And I stood my covenant with them to give to them the earth of the Canaanites, the earth which they had been-away-from-home in, while they were away-from-home upon it. ⁵ And I myself listened to the groaning of the sons of Israel—the Egyptians are enslaving them and I remembered your covenant. ⁶ You must proceed, you must speak to the sons of Israel, saying, ‘I, the Lord, will lead you out from the power of the Egyptians and I will rescue you from slavery and I will liberate you with a high arm and great judgment. ⁷ And I will receive for myself you, a people for me, and I will be your Creator and you will know that I am the Lord your Creator, the one leading you out from the tyranny of the Egyptians. ⁸ And I will lead you into the earth into the one I stretched out my hand to give it to Abraham and Isaac and Jacob. And I will give it to you in portion. I, the Lord.”
- ⁹ And Moses spoke like this to the sons of Israel and they did not listen to Moses because of a fleeting-soul and because of the hard works. ¹⁰ And the Lord said to Moses, saying,
¹¹ “You must go. You must speak to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, so that he might send out the sons of Israel from his earth.”
- ¹² And Moses spoke before the Lord, saying,
“Look, the sons of Israel did not listen to me! Then how will Pharaoh listen to me! And I myself am wordless!”

[Exodus 6:13-28 — Genealogies of Reuben, Simeon, & Levi with Moses and Aaron coming from Levi]

- ^{7.1} And the Lord said to Moses, saying,
“Look, I have given you as a god to Pharaoh and Aaron your brother will be your prophet. ² And you yourself will speak to him all-things as-much-as I commanded you. And Aaron your brother will speak to Pharaoh to send-out the sons of Israel from his earth. ³ And I myself might harden the heart of Pharaoh and fulfill my signs and wonders in the earth of Egypt. ⁴ And Pharaoh will not listen to you and I will throw my hand upon Egypt and I will lead-out with my power my people, the sons of Israel, from the earth of Egypt with great righteous-retributions. ⁵ And all Egyptians will know that I myself am the Lord, extending the hand upon Egypt, and I will lead-out the sons of Israel from the middle of them.”
- ⁶ And Moses and Aaron did just-as the Lord commanded them, like-this they did. ⁷ And Moses was 80 years and Aaron his brother 83 years when they spoke to Pharaoh. ⁸ And the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, saying,
⁹ “And if Pharaoh might speak to you, saying, ‘You must give to us a sign or wonder,’ then you will say to Aaron your brother, ‘You must take the staff and throw it upon the earth before Pharaoh and before his caretakers,’ and it will be a dragon.”
- ¹⁰ And Moses and Aaron entered before Pharaoh and his caretakers and they did like-this, just-as the Lord commanded them. And Aaron threw the staff before Pharaoh and before his caretakers and it became a dragon. ¹¹ And Pharaoh called the wisemen of Egypt and the pharmacists and they did also, the enchanters of Egypt with their pharmaceuticals as-this. ¹² And they threw, each his staff, and they became dragons and the staff of Aaron swallowed those staffs. ¹³ And the heart of Pharaoh prevailed and he did not listen to them, just-as the Lord spoke to them.
- ¹⁴ And the Lord said to Moses,
“The heart of Pharaoh has been burdened to not send-out the people. ¹⁵ You must go to Pharaoh in-the-morning. Look, he himself is journeying-out upon the water and you will stand, while meeting him, at the lip of the river. And the staff, the one turning into a serpent, you will take in your hand. ¹⁶ And you will say to him, ‘The Lord Creator of the Hebrews has sent me out to you, saying, you must send-out my people so they might serve me in the wilderness.’ And look, you did not listen until this. ¹⁷ This the Lord is saying, ‘In this you will know that I am the Lord.’ Look, I myself will hit the staff in my hand upon the water in the river and it will change into blood. ¹⁸ And the fish in the river will come-to-an-end and the river will stink and the Egyptians will not be able to drink water from the river.”
- ¹⁹ And the Lord said to Moses,
“You must say to Aaron your brother, ‘You must take your staff and extend your hand upon the waters of Egypt and upon their rivers and upon their dug-canals and upon their marshes and upon their every standing of water and it will be blood.”
- And blood happened in all the earth of Egypt, even among the trees and among the stones. ²⁰ And Moses and Aaron did like-this, just-as the Lord commanded them. And after taking-up his staff, he struck the water in the river before Pharaoh and before his caretakers and all the water in the river changed into blood. ²¹ And the fish in the river came-to-an-end and the river stank and the Egyptians were not able to drink water from the river and the blood was being in all the earth of Egypt. ²² And the enchanters of Egypt with their pharmacists did as-this and the heart of Pharaoh was hardened and he did not listen to them, just-as the Lord said. ²³ And after turning-away, Pharaoh entered into his house and he did not stand his mind, not-even upon this. ²⁴ And all the Egyptians dug around the river to drink water and they were not able to drink water from the river. ²⁵ And seven days were fulfilled after the Lord struck the river.