

# Deliverance from Slavery

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***“Therefore say to the Israelites: I AM The Lord, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I Am the Lord your God, Who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. And I will bring you to the land I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob. I will give it to you as a possession. I Am the Lord.”***

Slavery is a topic that can cause some heated discussions and hard feelings. A Civil War was fought in America over slavery beginning on April 12, 1861 and stretching through until April 9, 1865. It is estimated that between the North (110,000) and the South (94,000) 200,000 soldiers died on the battlefield. Those who died from disease between the North and the South is estimated at 400,000. Even though a civil war was fought in the United States over slavery, it should be noted that slavery was in existence before the time of slavery in the United States.

At the time of Moses (1500 B.C.) some 3,500 years ago, the Children of Israel were slaves in the land of Egypt. At that time, slavery was often a result of one nation conquering another nation. The defeated nation often became slaves. People who had large debts would also sometimes sell themselves into slavery to pay off their debt.

In this section of Scripture we hear that the Lord would deliver the Children of Israel out of slavery.

**Vs. 6 – Therefore say to the Israelites: I AM The Lord, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them,**

We also know that not only does the Lord God promise to free Israel from being slaves in Egypt, the Lord God Also Promises to REDEEM His people.

**Vs. 6 – and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment.** (The Hebrew term – *lag* – Boaz was a *Kinsman Redeemer*, in that he took care of Ruth, the daughter-in-law of Naomi.)

In these words of this text, our Lord God was speaking through Moses to His people and God was prophesying the coming Savior.

In the Letter to the Romans, the Apostle Paul also makes comparison to slavery. Only the Apostle Paul speaks of slaves who are set free from sin, Paul writes this in the letter to the Romans:

**Romans 6:16-18 - “Don’t you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey – whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or slaves to obedience which leads to righteousness? 17 – But thanks be to God that though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. 18 – You have become set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.”**

This freedom from slavery of Sin is ours in Christ Jesus:

**Romans 6:6 – For we know that our old self was crucified with HIM (Christ) so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin.”**

Just as The Lord God delivered Israel out of Physical Slavery in Egypt, so also has the Lord God delivered all from the slavery of Sin as we are told by God through the Apostle Paul:

**Romans 6:9-10 – For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, He cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over Him. 10 - The death Christ died, He died to sin once for ALL; but the life he lives, He lives to God.**