

*“Let my people go that they may serve me”  
Exodus 7:16*

As time marched on many believers led their families in worship that pleased the Lord: building altars, bringing sacrifices, paying tithes, and singing the truths of God. Many more worshiped falsely. But God was true to His promise to Abraham and built a nation, a nation that eventually found itself in bondage to the nation of Egypt. Once again God called His people to come away from the false gods and false worship of Egypt and worship Him. God used a special man to be His mouthpiece, the prophet Moses. Remember what Moses and Aaron told old Pharaoh?

*“Let my people go!”*

You might ask the question, why did God call His people out of Egypt? Look at these verses.

- *“Let my son go, that he may serve me.” Ex 4:22-23*
- *“let us go, we pray thee, three days’ journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD” Ex 5:3*
- *“Let us go and sacrifice to our God.” Ex 5:8*
- *“Let us go and do sacrifice to the LORD” Ex 5:17*
- *“Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness” Ex 7:16*
- *“Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.” Ex 8:1*
- *“Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Intreat the LORD, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the LORD” Ex 8:8*
- *“Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.” Ex 8:20*
- *“And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us? We will go three days’ journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God, as he shall command us. <sup>28</sup> And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the LORD your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: intreat for me.” Ex 8:26-28*

Get the point? The list of worship words goes on (see also 8:29; 9:1, 13; 10:3, 7, 8, 11, 24-26; 12:31). God wanted to do more than just redeem Israel out of Egypt. His greater plan was to have a worship relationship with His people and show how utterly inferior all of Egypt’s gods were. Each of the plagues was a direct insult to one of the Egyptians many gods. God miraculously delivered the Israelites when finally, after the death of the first born of every Egyptian family, they had enough. Only those families that obeyed the Lord’s command to offer a bloody sacrificial lamb, offered during a special memorial worship service called the Passover (Ex 12:27, 31), were spared.

Think about yourself. You and your family were not redeemed just to keep you out of hell; you were redeemed so you would be able to eternally worship our great Father around the throne. Praise the Lord! After Israel experienced God’s redemption from Egypt they did indeed worship God with a song of victory in Exodus 15:1-21.

*Great and mighty is the Lord our God  
Great and mighty is He  
Great and mighty is the Lord our God  
Great and mighty is He  
Lift His banner let His anthems ring  
Praises to our might King  
Great and mighty is the Lord our God  
Great and mighty is He.*

*Redeemed* how I love to proclaim it! *Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child, and forever I am*

*Redeemed, Redeemed, Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
Redeemed, Redeemed, His child and forever I am.*

*I know* I shall see in His beauty *The King in whose law I delight;  
Who lovingly guardeth my footsteps, And giveth me songs in the night.*

*Redeemed, Redeemed, Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
Redeemed, Redeemed, His child and forever I am.*