

God Is Still In Control Exodus 5:1 – 6:9 #5 in a series on Exodus July 13, 2025 Pastor Lyle L. Wahl

Theme: When everything goes wrong, God is sill in control.

Moses was faithful in this difficult task.

- 1. The difficult task. (5:1-5, 22)
- 2. Moses' faithfulness. (5:1-5)

Everything goes wrong.

- 1. Pharaoh rejected God's word through Moses and Aaron. (5:1-5)
- 2. Pharaoh intensified his oppression of the Israelites. (5:6-19)
- 3. Israel blamed Moses and Aaron for their suffering. (5:20-21)
- 4. Israel rejected God's word through Moses and Aaron. (6:9)

Moses turned to God, the Rock of his salvation.

- 1. Moses came to God with faith and honesty. (5:22-23)
- 2. God reassured Moses. (6:1-5)
- 3. God refocused Moses' vision. (6:6-8)
- 4. God sent Moses back to work. (6:6, 9)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Read Exodus 5:1 - 6:9, noting what the account tells you about Moses, God, the Pharaoh and the people of Israel. The central truth from this section we highlighted on Sunday was that *when everything goes wrong, God is sill in control*. However your day has begun, or has been, put it in perspective with this truth.

Tuesday. Moses was faithful in this difficult task (5:1-5) in spite of his personal struggles, the nature of God's message he was to deliver to Pharaoh, and the Pharaoh's attitude and response. Sometimes it is not in the big challenges but in the *small irritants* that we are not faithful. God is in control, be faithful to Him in all things, at all times.

Wednesday. Moses stepped out in faith and did his part just as God instructed, and then everything went wrong. Review the rejection, oppression and blame checking the outline with 5:2, 4-21 and 6:9. I am sure you can identify with that—you have been faithful, done what is right and instead of bright sunny skies, storm clouds moved in. Just as God told Moses the Pharaoh would let the people go only under compulsion (6:1; cf. 3:19-20, 4:21-23), so He has told us that we will go through times like that (e.g. John 16:33, 2 Timothy 3:12). Take courage. Christ has overcome the world. He is in control.

Thursday. When Moses received rejection, ridicule and blame for his faithful service, he did the right thing—he turned to God (5:22-23). God was the rock of his salvation for the moments and days as well as eternity. God reassured him (6:1-5), refocused his vision (6:6-8) and sent him back to work (6:6).

God is gracious. What He tenderly and directly did for Moses He will do for you. In all your small irritants and monstrous disasters, make sure you turn to, run to God your Rock. He is in control.

Friday/Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at 6:10 - 7:13. Read through this section in preparation for our time of worship together.