

## WHAT IF YOU DO NOT FOLLOW THE LORD?

## EXODUS 5

- Intro: 1. [Ring.Ring]—Hello. Yes, I heard about the big order that came in last week in your department, and I've been waiting for an update for our team. Ok—must be out by Tuesday afternoon—overtime approved. I'll get the guys to pull 14 hour shifts this Saturday and Sunday. No problem, all they do is lay around on the weekends.... A few have objected to missing church. Shoot, I'll call the radical religious zealots first—everybody wants another dollar and I expect they fear their boss more than God anyway in this economy! Thanks for letting me in early so I can get the team on the floor ASAP. See you Joe.
2. Sometimes, we just wonder, “Why not just lay off the godly path?” “What would happen if I didn't follow the Lord?”
3. Exodus 5 gives us insight into the exact sufferings that you would cause in your path of not following the Lord...today, as we witness the baptism of 3 young believers, you must understand that coming to faith in Christ, making a public testimony of believer's baptism and joining the local church according to the directives of the book of Acts may indeed bring some scrutiny from the world, but these steps will also bring blessing for you and many others...let's read Exodus 5 and answer the question, “What if I do not follow the Lord?”

### 1. Your Family Will Suffer from Ignorance of God's Principles (vv.1-9)

- v.9, “vain words” = empty religious objections (God's directives)
- If you look at God's Word as useless, then you will disregard His way as unproductive.
- The way of marriage—one woman & one man to create families
- The way of work—six days of work, one day of rest & worship
- The way of education—Deut.6:4-7, mother/father in the homelifej
- Psalm 119:105-112

### 2. Your Friends Will Suffer fr Irritability Outside of God's Peace (10-18)

- Nobody was happy—the Pharaoh was mad, Pharaoh's taskmasters were upset, Hebrew foremen were distressed

### 3. Your Fellow-Workers Will Suffer from Isolation and Outrage (19-23)

- These Hebrews were not alone, they were an enormous majority who believed!
- Why did they feel isolated and put-upon? Because of their perspective.
- If you think of being in the Lord's Majority instead of in the World's Mess, you have a whole new outlook on life.

**Dear friend, have you ever first trusted Jesus Christ as your Savior and come to Him in prayer for forgiveness and new life? The consequences of not following Christ in salvation is eternal death and punishment for sin.**

**Believer**, have you ever followed the Lord Jesus in a public testimony of Baptism according to His last commandment? The consequence of not taking this first step of obedience is being easily taken in temptation and sin away from God's best plan for your life.

**Disciple** of Christ, have you obeyed the biblical pattern of joining with a local church after being saved and baptized? The consequence of not claiming a church home is a public testimony that speaks the words of Pharaoh, “Let them not regard vain words.”

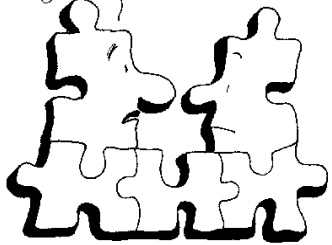
**Unbeliever**, Will you come today and receive Christ so that your family will not suffer from ignorance?

**Unbaptized**, Will you come today and commit to believer's baptism so that your friends will not suffer from a believer who does not have peace with God because you have not obeyed even the first directive of your Lord and Savior?

**Unchurched**, Will you come today and join with this church in accordance with Ac 2:41 “Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added [to the church]...”

**Follow Christ!**

Ever get the  
feeling something's  
missing?



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## Children's Challenge

Who is missing from Pharaoh's  
life? \_\_\_\_\_ (Exo.5:2)

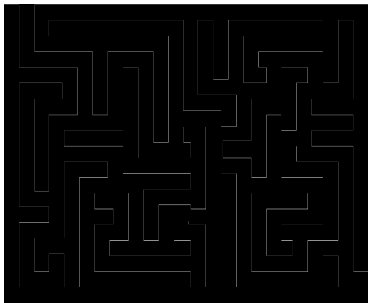
What was missing to make brick? \_\_\_\_\_ (Exo.5:7)

Where did the people miss going? to \_\_\_\_\_

to their God (Exo.5:8)

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Start here to follow Pharaoh in Exodus 5...



List Every Verse in which Pharaoh is  
mentioned and what people he  
influenced in these verses:

Examples: Vs.1, Moses & Aaron; Vs.2, Israel

Vs.5, People of \_\_\_\_\_; Vs.6 \_\_\_\_\_

FINISH in Vs.23, Moses prays to \_\_\_\_\_

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