

Sonship | Part 1

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A black and white photograph showing a large, adult hand gently holding a small child's hand. The adult hand is positioned on the right, with fingers wrapped around the child's hand. The child's hand is on the left, reaching towards the center. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey.


**Better the slavery you know
than the sonship you don't ?**

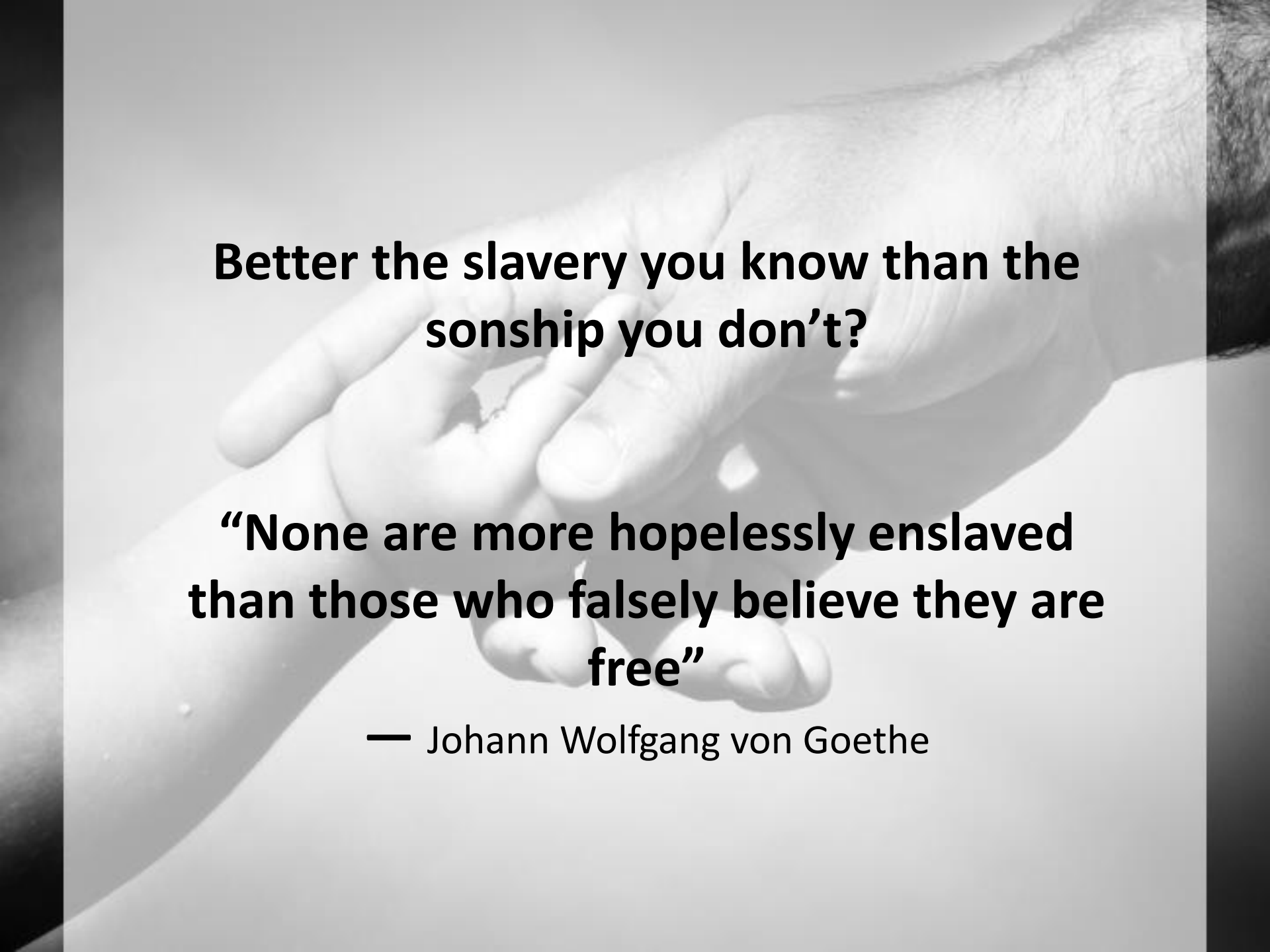


“God is raising up sons and daughters”

Romans 8:19 (HCSB)

¹⁹ For the creation eagerly waits with anticipation for God’s sons to be revealed.

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- Walking in new identity, destiny and authority that we have as sons of God
 - Biblical sonship is a position in the spirit reserved for those who have God as their Father

A black and white photograph of a hand holding a small object, possibly a ring, with text overlaid. The hand is positioned in the upper right quadrant, with fingers slightly curled. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light gray. The text is centered and reads:

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**“None are more hopelessly enslaved
than those who falsely believe they are
free”**

— Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

1. Scriptures:

Galatians 3

27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ like a garment. 28 There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 4

..... 4 When the time came to completion, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our[b] hearts, crying, “Abba, Father!” 7 So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

2. Slavery

1. The condition in which one person is owned as property by another and is under the owner's control, especially in involuntary servitude.

2. a. The practice of owning slaves.

b. A mode of production in which slaves constitute the principal work force.

3. The condition of being subject or addicted to a specified influence.

4. A condition of hard work and subjection:

From G1210; a *slave* (literally or figuratively, involuntarily or voluntarily; frequently therefore in a qualified sense of *subjection* or *subserviency*): - bond (-man), servant.

3. Egypt: Literal Slavery

Genesis 15:13

Then the Lord said to Abram, “Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for 400 years.”

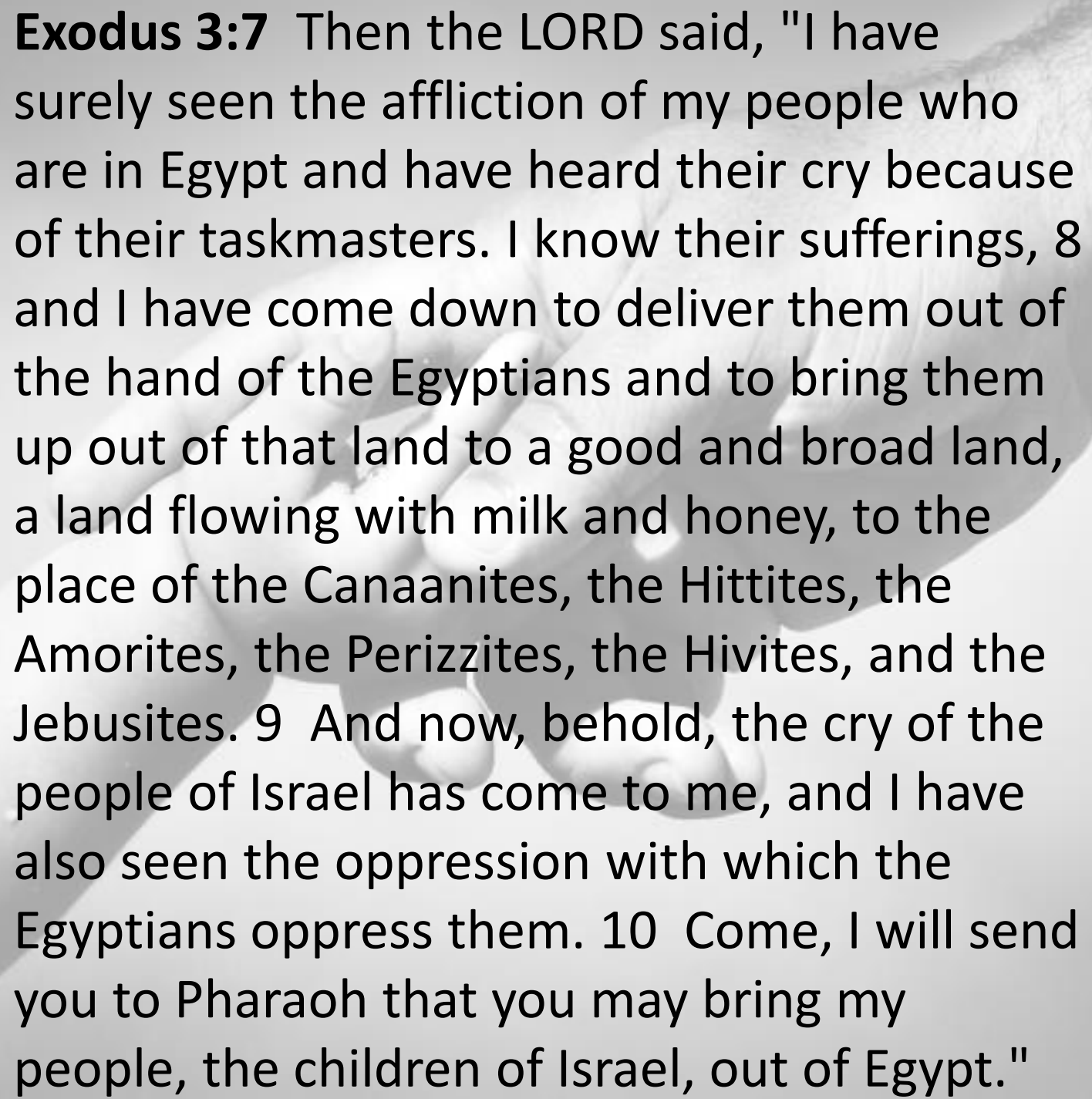


God hears

Exodus 2:23 During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God.

24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.

25 God saw the people of Israel—and God knew.



Exodus 3:7 Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, 8 and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9 And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. 10 Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

Exodus 3:13

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?"

Exo 3:14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"



4. JESUS | the fulfillment

Literal slavery | literal exodus

Spiritual slavery | spiritual deliverance

Luke 4:18

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed..”



Romans 8:15:

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father!"

A black and white photograph showing a large, hairy hand of an adult holding the smaller hand of a child. The adult's hand is positioned over the child's hand, with fingers gently gripping it. The background is a plain, light color.

5. The question: Better the slavery..?

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Let's pray