

Sin: A Type of Bondage
1 Corinthians 10:1-11; Acts 7:36-38.

Introduction:

- A. The Old Testament contains types of New Testament anti-types. A type is a “representative form” or “characteristic” of something else. There are striking similarities between the liberation of Israel from Egyptian captivity and the freedom enjoyed in Christ from the slavery of sin. Judaism was never intended by God to be his final revelation to man, but contains figures, types, patterns, shadows and examples of New Testament counterparts, Heb. 10:1-2; 1 Cor. 10:1-2.
- B. Old Testament types perfectly fit the New Testament church and its doctrine. Therefore, we can learn something about the Lord’s church and its teaching by examining Old Testament types. Types confirm the church of the Bible to be the fulfillment of the longstanding will of God (Eph. 3:10-11).

I. *Moses Was Chosen By God To Liberate Israel.*

A. Background.

- 1. Joseph invited his people (father and brothers) to settle in Goshen in Egypt - Gen. 47; (70 souls, Gen. 46:10).
- 2. When a new line of kings began ruling Egypt, Israelites were forced into slavery - Exo 1:8ff
- 3. After Israel’s population kept increasing, their male babies were killed at birth.
- 4. Moses was born during this time, but through God’s providence he was reared by Pharaoh’s daughter.
- 5. At 40 years old, Moses killed an Egyptian taskmaster and fled to the wilderness for 40 years.

B. The call of Moses.

- 1. Moses was 80 years old when he was called by God at the burning bush.
- 2. Moses offered several excuses - Exo 4
- 3. Moses was chosen by God to deliver Israel and be its lawgiver.

C. Moses demonstrated the power of God by miracles.

- 1. Miracles confirmed Moses was a messenger of God.
- 2. Miracles also bolstered the faith of Israel.
- 3. Miracles persuaded Pharaoh and Egypt to free Israel.

D. Pharaoh tried to bargain with God through Moses.

- 1. Pharaoh challenged God’s authority - Exo 5:2
- 2. Later, Pharaoh attempted to modify the conditions under which Israel would obey God
 - a. Sacrifice in the land, 8:25
 - b. Don’t go far, 8:28
 - c. Leave the children, 10:9-11
 - d. Let your flocks stay, 10:24, 26

II. *Moses Delivered Israel From Egypt.*

A. Israel heard and believed Moses.

- 1. Israel ACTED on its belief in the words of Moses.
- 2. Israel followed the Passover instructions and later marched to the Red Sea.
- 3. Israel was, however, not delivered on the Egyptian side of the Red Sea.

B. Israel was saved from Egyptian bondage by crossing the Red Sea - Exo 14

- 1. God caused the Red Sea to part to allow Israel to cross.
- 2. The sea collapsed on the pursuing Egyptians, killing them.

C. Israel wandered in the wilderness.

- 1. Israel experienced various trials for 40 years.

2. When Israel obeyed God, he protected the nation through providence.
3. Some sought to enter Canaan without God, and outside of a covenant relationship with God - Num.14:40-45

III. *The Anti-Type Of Release From Egyptian Bondage Is Salvation From The Slavery Of Sin.*

- A. Every accountable soul is initially in the bondage of sin from which he cannot liberate himself - Rom. 3:23; 1 John 1:8; Rom. 1-3
- B. God sent Jesus Christ to deliver men from the captivity of sin - Rom. 5:8-10; 1 Pet. 3:18; John 3:16
- C. Jesus leads sinners out of the PLACE OF BONDAGE - Col. 1:13
 1. Before he can lead sinners, they must hear and believe - Rom. 10:17; John 20:30-31
- D. Faith without corresponding action will no more save today than faith without compliance with the Word of God would have saved the Israelites fleeing Egyptian slavery - Jas 2:17, 20, 24, 26
 1. The New Testament teaches that faith must be manifested in repentance, confessing Jesus as Lord and baptism (immersion) for the remission of sins - Acts 2:38; Col. 2:12
 2. Baptism is the line of demarcation between the world and the church as the Red Sea was the line of demarcation between Israel's doom and freedom - Rom. 6:3-5
 3. The time for rejoicing is after baptism (Acts 8:36-39), even as Israel did its rejoicing after it crossed the Red Sea - Exo 15

Conclusion:

- A. Jesus demonstrated he was sent by God by the miracles he performed.
- B. Further, Jesus can only lead those who will follow him.
- C. Jesus will not permit compromise or subjection to the devil, Matt. 4; **NO ALTERNATE PLANS ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE LORD.**
- D. Jesus Christ is the only door to our Canaan land, John 10:1, 9; **NO ONE CAN GET TO HEAVEN OUTSIDE OF A COVENANT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.**