

And I am going to give them the land of Canaan. And I've heard their cry of oppression. So what I want you to do is to go down and reveal to them a name by which I haven't been known to them before. The name LORD."

- a) Initially, Moses said to the Lord, "Who shall I say sent me?"
- b) And the Lord said, "Say the LORD sent me. That is the name by which I will be known for generations to come."
- iii) So the Lord continues to say, "Moses I want you to go down and tell the people of Israel that
 - a) The LORD is going to bring them up out of Egypt.
 - b) The LORD is going to make of them a holy nation so that he Jehovah will be their God and they will be His people.
 - c) The LORD is going to give them the land that was promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob."
- iv) Moses goes down and delivers the message.
- v) But the Israelites are so discouraged because of the bondage they are suffering that they don't believe what Moses tells them.
- vi) The Lord tells Moses, "I want you to go to Pharaoh and tell him to let ~~my~~ my people go into the wilderness so that they can worship me."
- vii) And Moses says, "Well, why should I go to Pharaoh? Your own people won't listen to me. What makes you think Pharaoh is going to listen to me, especially when I am not a good speaker?"

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- i) The Lord says to Moses, "Moses, here's the way it is going to be. You are going to be like a god to Pharaoh and Aaron is going to be your prophet. And just as I speak through the prophets, so you are going to speak through Aaron to Pharaoh and you are going to tell Pharaoh to let the people of Israel go. But what I am going to do is to harden Pharaoh's heart. And I am going to do that so I can perform miracles and signs so that the people of Israel and the Egyptians will know the LORD is God. But all during that time, I am going to harden his heart. And then after I harden his heart so that though I perform these signs he won't let the people of Israel go, I am going to bring another act of judgment upon him. And when I bring that other act of judgment upon him, he is going to let the people go."
- ii) The Lord told Moses in advance exactly what is going to happen so that Moses wouldn't be surprised.
- iii) The Lord tells Moses, "Now Moses when you go to Pharaoh if he wants you to perform a sign to show him the power of your