

Title: **"THAT THEY MAY BELIEVE THE LORD GOD OF THEIR FATHERS"**

Text: **Exodus 4**

(I) THE LONG ROAD TO A DEEP FAITH IN GOD

1. An illustrious Ancestry

- a) Abraham
- b) Isaac
- c) Jacob/Israel
- d) Joseph

2. The lessons of faith in God

- a) Struggles
- b) Success

3. The Problems of life

- a) Hardship
- b) Slavery (under cruel Egyptian masters)
- c) The cruelty of life can rob a person of deep faith in God

(II) STEPS TOWARDS A RESTORED DEEP FAITH IN GOD

1. Promise of Deliverance

*"...I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey..." **Exodus 3:8***

2. Presence of God

*"...'I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.' " **Exodus 3:12***

3. Power of God

*"...I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in its midst..." **Exodus 3:20***

(III) SPECIAL PROVISIONS I- "THAT THEY MAY BELIEVE"

*"That they may believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you." **Exodus 4:5***

*"...that they may believe the message of the latter sign." **Exodus 4:8***

1. A special servant of God in Moses

2. Special signs that would be performed

a) Two initial signs

- i) Rod to Snake (**Exodus 4:1-5**)**
- ii) Leprous hand restored (**Exodus 4:6-7**)**
- iii) Water into blood (**Exodus 4:9**)**

(IV) SPECIAL PROVISIONS II - "THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE"

*"And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." **John 20:30-31***

1. The signs performed by Jesus

- a) Recorded in the Gospel of John**
- b) Recorded in the other Gospels**

2. The significance of these signs

- a) To help people come to faith in Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God**
- b) And through faith in Jesus have eternal life in His name**