

The Life Of Jesus

LUKE

9:28-36

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Hebrews 1:3 “The Son is
the radiance of his glory
and the representation
of his essence”



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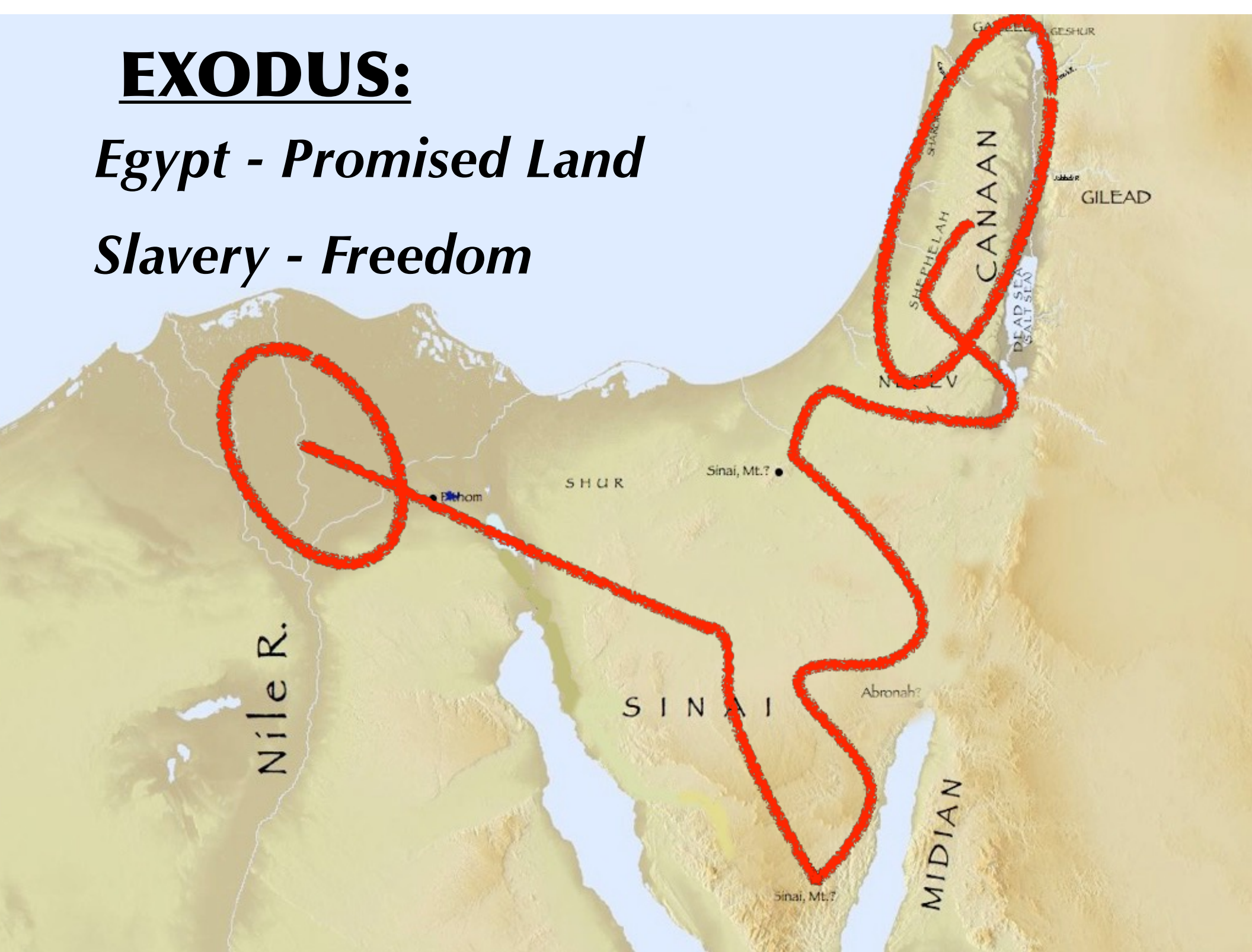
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EXODUS:

Egypt - Promised Land
Slavery - Freedom



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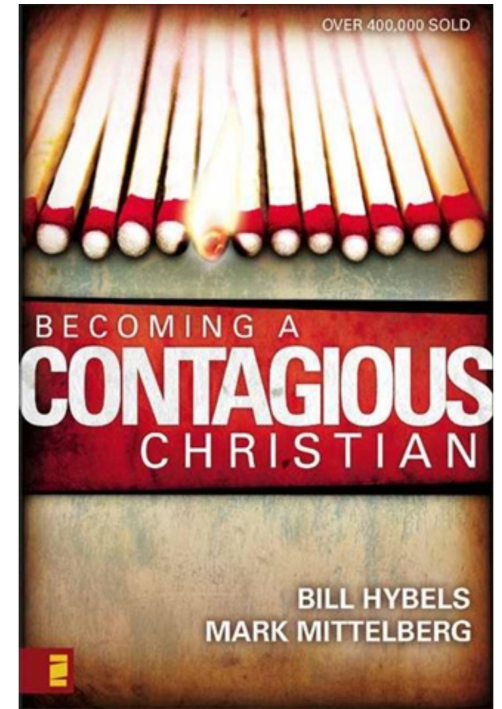
³¹ They appeared in glorious splendor and spoke about his departure (exodus) that he was about to carry out at Jerusalem. ³² Now Peter and those with him were quite sleepy, but as they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

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³³ Then as the men were starting to leave, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three shelters, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he was saying.

“Religion is spelled '**D-O**', because it consists of the things people do to try to somehow gain God's forgiveness and favor. But the problem is that you never know when you've done enough. But thankfully, Christianity is spelled differently. It's spelled '**D-O-N-E**', which means that what we could never do for ourselves, Christ has already done for us. To become a real Christian is to humbly receive God's gift of forgiveness and to commit to following His leadership.”

- Bill Hybels, *Becoming a Contagious Christian*



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³³ Then as the men were starting to leave, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three shelters, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he was saying. ³⁴ As he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud.

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³⁵ Then a voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him!" ³⁶ After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. So they kept silent and told no one at that time anything of what they had seen.

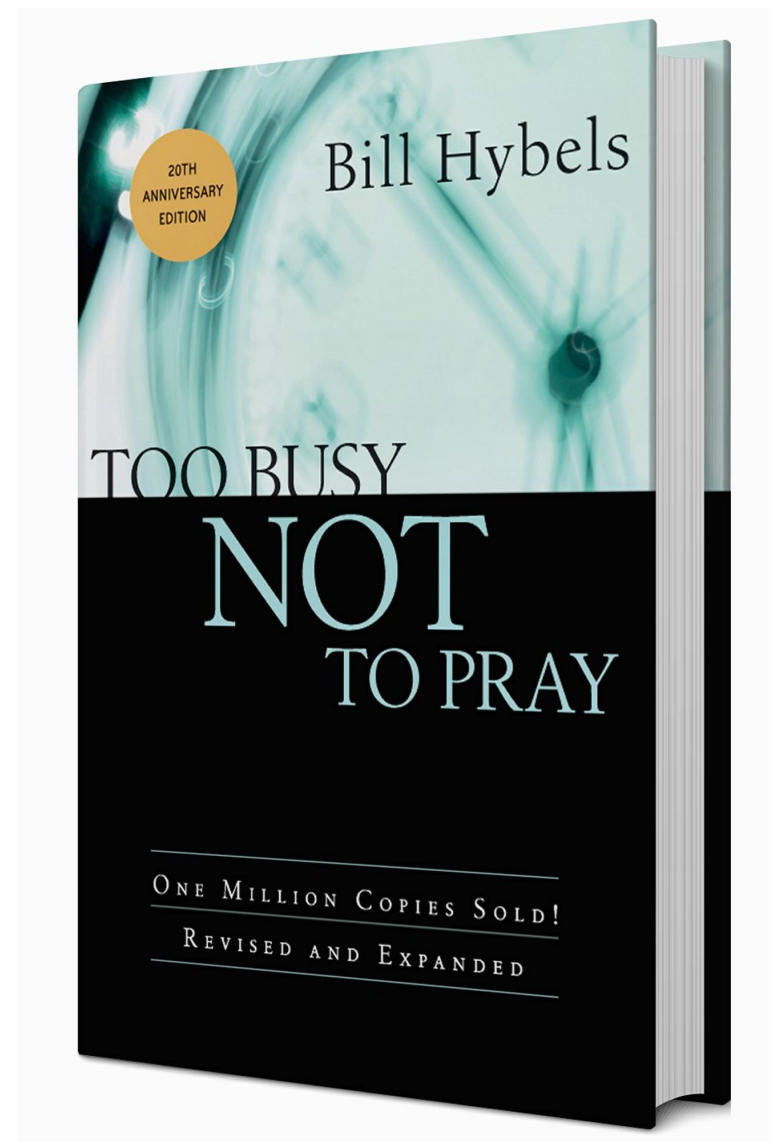
1. The miraculous events in this story make it easy to miss the intent for going up the mountain in the first place. Prayer. No one in history has ever had a more demanding life than Jesus, but he never neglected to make time to pray. How about you?

Luke 5:16 “But Jesus
often withdrew to lonely
places and prayed.”



“God doesn’t want us to pile up impressive phrases. He doesn’t want us to use words without thinking about their meaning. He wants us to talk to him as to a friend or father—authentically, reverently, personally, earnestly.”

- Bill Hybels, *Too Busy Not To Pray* pg. 54



2. It's clear that Peter doesn't know how to react to what he has seen. The Father comes to the rescue and tells Peter what he should take away from the event. Jesus is the chosen one. Listen to Him! The more we come to recognize who Jesus is & what He has done for us, the more natural it becomes to, "Listen to Him".

John 10:27-28 ***My sheep listen to my voice***, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish; no one will snatch them from my hand.





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I pictured being further along by now. Wanted to be further along by now. Thought I'd arrive at spiritual maturity then just abide right there undisturbed till Jesus took me home. I'd just help others arrive. Instead, here I am over 60 still grappling.

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3. If you ever find yourself depressed that you haven't figured out all this "God stuff" yet, or feel like you should "have it more together" by this point in your life, take heart. You're in good company, the Bible is full of people like you. God didn't give up on them. He won't give up on you. Don't give up on Him.

Exodus 34:5-6 The Lord descended in the
cloud & stood with him and proclaimed:
*"The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate
and gracious God, slow to anger, and
abounding in loyal love and faithfulness"*

