

# COMPROMISING GOD'S LAW

Ex 4:29 - 5:3

## INTRODUCTION:

- A. Compromise - to come to agreement by concession
- B. Compromise one of the biggest problems we have to face
- C. It is one of Satan's best weapons against us
- D. Today we want to look back to the account of Israel's leaving Egypt and look at the compromises which Pharaoh offered Israel and make some comparisons to Satan's offers of compromise today (Note: Rom 15:4)

## DISCUSSION:

### I. GOD'S LAW IS REVEALED

- A. To Israel Ex 5:1
  - 1. Let my people go (they were in bondage)
  - 2. Hold a feast in the wilderness
- B. To us today
  - 1. Come out from the world 2Cor 6:14-17
  - 2. Come unto Me Matt 11:28
  - 3. Serve and glorify Him in the church Eph 3:21
- C. Israel was to serve God in the wilderness - we are to serve Him in the church

### II. FIRST COMPROMISE

- A. God said go sacrifice in the wilderness Ex 5:1,3
- B. Pharaoh - sacrifice in the land Ex 8:25
  - 1. You can sacrifice (worship)
  - 2. But must stay where you are - don't go out of land
  - 3. His slaves and he didn't want to lose them
- C. Satan says to us today
  - 1. Serve God, but stay in the world
  - 2. Don't need to be a member of the church - just be a good moral person
  - 3. Yet the saved are in the church Acts 2:47; Eph 5:23
  - 4. Must be delivered from power of darkness Col 1:13
  - 5. Morality alone will not save Acts 10:1-6; 11:14

### III. SECOND COMPROMISE Ex 8:27,28

- A. God said go three days journey Ex 8:27
- B. Pharaoh - Go, but not far away
  - 1. I'll let you do what God says
  - 2. But just don't go all the way
- C. Satan says to us today - stay close to me
  - 1. Be a member of the church but don't get involved
    - a. Just be a bench warmer
    - b. Criticize others in what they are doing
    - c. Don't attend regularly, you might learn something
  - 2. Love God with all our heart Matt 22:37
  - 3. Be steadfast - abound in work 1Cor 15:58

- 4. Be not conformed, but transformed Rom 12:1,2
- Note verse one

### IV. THIRD COMPROMISE Ex 10:8-11

- A. God said all must go Ex 10:9
- B. Pharaoh - Go ye that are men
  - 1. Knew if kept women & children, men would return
  - 2. Go worship but don't take whole family
- C. Satan says to us today - let me have women and children or husband - some part of the family
  - 1. Don't make children go to services, let them make up their own mind.
  - 2. Heard recently about a man who said when his children became 13 he let them decide for themselves what they wanted to do
  - 3. How many allow their children to make up their own mind about going to school, doctor, etc.
  - 4. Bring up in nurture and admonition of the Lord Eph 6:4; 2Tim 3:15
  - 5. Let wife stay home - fix for company or when one is sick, everyone stays home Lk 10:38-42
  - 6. Don't come to Bible study, just preaching 1Pet 2:2

### V. FOURTH COMPROMISE Ex 10:24

- A. God said all must go with flocks and herds Ex 10:9
- B. Pharaoh - let your flocks and herds stay here
  - 1. You can go take your children
  - 2. But leave your possessions here (tied to Egypt)
- C. Satan says today - leave your material goods with me
  - 1. Worship, serve God but don't put your money, time and goods into His service Mk 12:30
  - 2. After all, you worked hard for what you have and your family needs it
  - 3. Giving as prospered with purpose 1Cor 16:1,2; 2Cor 9:6,7
  - 4. Love of money root of all evil 1Tim 6:10, 17-19

## CONCLUSION:

- A. We cannot give in to Satan we must be watchful because the Devil is our adversary (enemy) 1Pet 5:8
- B. He can make things sound sensible like it's the thing to do just like Pharaoh tried to do Prov 14:12
- C. If we compromise on one point then Satan has us where he wants us just like Pharaoh knew if he could get Israel to compromise what God said he could keep them in Egypt.