# DON'T STRIKE IT, SPEAK TO



Every Man In This Room Has Been Called Just Like Moses, & Anger Should Never guide Our Path!

#### Numbers 20:7-8 (NASB)

- <sup>7</sup> and the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
- <sup>8</sup> "Take the rod; and you and your brother Aaron assemble the congregation and speak to the rock before their eyes, that it may yield its water. You shall thus bring forth water for them out of the rock and let the congregation and their beasts drink."

# Numbers 20:9-11 (NASB)

<sup>9</sup> So Moses took the rod from before the LORD, just as He had commanded him; <sup>10</sup> and Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly before the rock. And he said to them, "Listen now, you rebels; shall we bring forth water for you out of this rock?" <sup>11</sup> Then Moses lifted up his hand and *struck the rock twice* with his rod; and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation and their beasts drank.

Numbers 20:12 (NASB) <sup>12</sup> But the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Because you have not believed Me, to treat Me as holy in the sight of the sons of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them."

Exodus 20:5-6 (NASB) OT Commandments <sup>5</sup> "You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, <sup>6</sup> but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

Matt. 22:37-39 (NASB) <u>NT COMMANDMENTS</u> <sup>37</sup> And He said to him, " 'YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.' <sup>38</sup> "This is the great and foremost *commandment*. <sup>39</sup> "The second is like it, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.'

In the New Testament there are 1,050 commandments for Christian to obey! We all have fallen short of the glory of God and none are perfect, no not even one. There is always a consequence for not following God's commands.

#### **Ephesians 2:8-9 (NASB)**

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God;
<sup>9</sup> not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

# Romans 6:1-2 (NASB)

<sup>1</sup> What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup> May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?

Even though we live under grace & not the law there are still consequences for not following the commands of the Lord.

### Exodus 3:7-8 (NASB)

<sup>7</sup> The LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt, and have given heed to their cry because of their taskmasters, for I am aware of their sufferings.<sup>8</sup> "So I have come down to deliver them from the power of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey,

God heard and hears the cries of His children.

- God thru Moses freed children from Egypt (bondage)
- God promised the Promised Land (freedom)
- God gave His son Jesus Christ.
- Prior to Christ Egypt (bondage)
- After Christ Promised Land (righteousness, justification, sanctification, freedom)

## **John 16:33 (NASB)**

<sup>33</sup> "These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world."

In the OT on the journey to the Promised Land they faced obstacles & in the NT on our journey to the Promised Land we too will face obstacles. **Exodus 2:2 (MSG) [Moses beginning]** <sup>2</sup> The woman became pregnant and had a son. She saw there was something special about him and hid him. She hid him for three months.

**Psalm 139:14 (NASB) [Our beginning]** <sup>14</sup> I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well.

# Exodus 3:9-10 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup> And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. <sup>10</sup> So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

Moses was to take God's people out of bondage!

# Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

<sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

We are to do the same: take God's people out of bondage!

**Exodus 3:12 (NIV)** <sup>12</sup> *And God said, "I will be with you.* And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain." God showed His power thru the burning bush, turning the Nile to blood, plague of frogs, gnats, flies, locust, death of all Egyptian livestock, boils, darkness, death of first born and the provision of the Passover.

# Mark 16:17-18 (NIV)

<sup>17</sup> And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; <sup>18</sup> they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well."

God shows us His power thru those that believe!

# **Exodus 3:12 (NIV) (OT)** <sup>12</sup> And God said, "I will be with you.

# Hebrews 13:5 (NIV) (NT) 5 ...... "Never will I leave you; never will I

forsake you."

#### Ecclesiastes 7:9 (NASB)

<sup>9</sup> Do not be eager in your heart to be angry, For anger resides in the bosom of fools.

# Isaiah 55:8 (NIV)

<sup>8</sup> "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.

There is always a reason behind the request and the actions of God.

**Colossians 3:16 (NIV)** <sup>16</sup> Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

Each man in this room is special, each man has been called by God, each man has been given commandments to live by, each man has God's promise He will never leave them or forsake them, and will provide signs to show that He is with us. We are no different than Moses.

We must never forget that we are supernatural individuals, new creatures in Christ, and when God calls we can not operate in our own power, strength or reasoning.

We cannot strike out at those things that anger us, God has given us His Word to speak to ever situation and circumstance.

# Isaiah 55:11 (NIV)

<sup>11</sup> so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Hebrews 4:12 (NIV) <sup>12</sup> For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

There will always be a lot of rocks and obstacles in our live: we therefore have two options.

# Proverbs 18:21 (NIV)

<sup>21</sup> The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Speaking anger will always produce death in every situation. Speaking life will always produce life.

We have a very special gift: the Word of God. Learn the truth because the truth will set you free, never strike your problems always speak the Word of God over them and allow the Word to set you free.

