

# Exodus 5:18

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.

## Analysis

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Verse 18 content addresses the systematic oppression through impossible brick quotas. The removal of straw while maintaining production requirements embodies how evil systems break spirits through mathematically impossible demands.

## Historical Context

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Archaeological evidence confirms ancient Egyptian brick-making used straw as binding material. The escalating oppression in verses 6-18 follows documented patterns of ancient slave economies.

## Related Passages

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**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

## Study Questions

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1. How do impossible expectations create false guilt in modern systems?
2. What does this passage teach about systemic injustice?

## Interlinear Text

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לְכָּ וְעַתָּה

H6258

H1980

עַבְדְּ וְ

H5647

**therefore now and work**

וְתִּבְנֶה

H8401

**for there shall no straw**

לֹא

H3808

תִּתְּנוּ:

**be given**

H5414

לְכָּ וְ

H0

וְתִבְנֶה

**the tale**

H8506

לְבִנְיָם

**of bricks**

H3843

תִּתְּנוּ:

**be given**

H5414

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