

# Exodus 5:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me?

## Analysis

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Verse 22 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 6-22 follows documented patterns of ancient slave economies.

## Related Passages

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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## 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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returned	And Moses	H413	unto the LORD	and said	Lord	H4100
H7725	H4872		H3068	H559	H136	
הֲרַעַתָּה			לְעַם	הַזֶּה	לְמָה	זֶה
wherefore hast thou so evil entreated			this people	H2088	H4100	H2088
H7489			H5971			
שְׁלַחְתָּנִי:						
why is it that thou hast sent						
H7971						

## Additional Cross-References

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**Jeremiah 20:7** (References Lord): O LORD, thou hast deceived me, and I was deceived: thou art stronger than I, and hast prevailed: I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me.