

# Exodus 5:23

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all.

## Analysis

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Verse 23 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 6-23 follows documented patterns of ancient slave economies.

## Related Passages

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**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

## 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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וַיַּאֲזֶרְךָ H227	בְּאֵתִי H935	אֶל H413	פַּרְעֹה H6547	לֵדַבֵּר H1696	בְּשֵׁם H8034		
	<b>For since I came</b>	<b>to Pharaoh</b>	<b>to speak</b>	<b>in thy name</b>			
הֵב עַ	עַמֶּךָ:	הִזְה	הֵצֵלָתָ	לֹא	הֵצֵלָתָ	אֶת	עַמֶּךָ:
<b>he hath done evil</b>	<b>thy people</b>	H2088	<b>at all</b>	H3808	<b>at all</b>	H853	<b>thy people</b>
H7489	H5971		H5337		H5337		H5971

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