

***Further Objections, Your Honor***

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**God has the future  
totally under control.**

*God Promises His Power (4:1–9)*

**Moses was not expected to argue the people into believing that God was with him; he was simply to provide the setting so that God could express His supernatural power.**

**The signs acted as a kind of dress rehearsal for the Israelites — so that they would believe and worship — before God would display these signs for Pharaoh and the Egyptians.**



*God Promises His Enablement (4:10–12)*

**The God who made us is able to use the gifts and abilities  
He's given us to accomplish the tasks He assigns us.**

**Warren Wiersbe**

**If the Lord is truly sovereign over all things, then the only reasonable response is to trust Him; it is His omnipotence that matters, not our incompetence.**



*God Provides His Personal  
Support (4:13-17)*

**In the weakness of the flesh, Moses simply did not want to go back to Egypt. God had carefully responded to all his excuses and had revealed His supernatural power. Yet Moses was an old and broken man. Emotionally he could not bring himself to say yes to God.**

**Tom Julien**

**One of the most painful judgments God can send is to let His people have their own way.**

**Warren Wiersbe**



**Moses responds in faith to  
the revelation of God.**

*Moses Returns to Egypt with  
Instructions (4:18–23)*





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**Sometimes it is said that God hardens Pharoah's heart, as here. Sometimes Pharoah is said to harden his own heart (Exodus 8:15). Sometimes the position is described neutrally, by saying that Pharoah's heart was hardened (Exodus 7:13). To [Moses], God was the first cause of everything, without in any sense denying the reality, and moral responsibility, of the human agent involved.**

**R. Alan Cole**

**God's purpose in rescuing His son was that His son might worship Him, a role Jesus fulfilled in His own faithful worship of the Father and a role God's people are expected to fulfill as their most basic response to His deliverance of their lives.**

**Douglas Stuart**

*Moses Receives His Wife's  
Rebuke & Rescue (4:24–26)*

**God had prepared the nation of Israel, but by virtue of their groaning, and He had prepared Moses in leadership skills; yet there was still the small but important matter of the preparation of the family.**



**The Lord calls His own people to be just as obedient as  
He's calling the Egyptians to be.**

**Exodus 4:24–26 is a story showing how Zipporah, by performing as officially as she could a circumcision on her son — whom his father had failed so far to conform to the covenant requirements of Genesis 17:10–14 — saved him from the punishment required by the Abrahamic covenant of circumcision.**

**Douglas Stuart**

*Moses Reunites with Aaron &  
Israel Submits to the Lord (4:27–31)*

**Verse 31 describes the Israelites' conversion to faith in Yahweh, evidenced by the posture of bowing before God as the people's sign that they believed in and accepted the demands of His words and promises for them.**



**Despite whatever you've done and however you thought and responded, it's never too late to start trusting God and following His calling.**



**“Never be afraid to trust an  
unknown future to a known God.”**