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- **Exodus 1:6-7:** The favor of the Egyptians towards the people of Israel fades away after the death of Joseph, but their numbers increase and they grew exceedingly strong.
- **1:10-14:** Pharaoh and the Egyptians fear an uprising of the people of Israel, so they enslave them and give them harsh work. But the more brutal the work, the more larger the people of Israel became.

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- **1:15-22:** In an attempt to slow their growth Pharaoh tried to have the midwives kill off the next generation of boys being born. But God used the midwives to spare many babies.
- **2:1-10:** One child who was hidden from Pharaoh's decree to kill all new born boys, his name was Moses, born from a Hebrew mother, but raised as the son of Pharaoh's daughter.

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- **2:11-22:** Moses empathizes with the pain of his people. He sees an Egyptian beating a Hebrew and kills him. When Pharaoh finds out he chases a fleeing Moses but does not catch him. But Moses finds a good catch, his wife, Zipporah, and lives with her family in Midian.

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- **2:23-25:** “During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. ²⁴ And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. ²⁵ God saw the people of Israel—and God knew.”

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- **3:6-10:** Moses has an encounter with God at the burning bush. “¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”
- **3:14:** God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” In the name Yahweh, I AM Who I AM, is one who has no beginning and no end, is incomparable, not bound, He is that which all things depend on. I AM Who I Am reveals himself to Moses.

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- **3:17:** This Yahweh, creator of all makes a promise: “and I promise that I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey.”

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- **4:1-17:** The Lord gives Moses the ability to perform miracles as a sign. And the people believed; and when they heard that the Lord had visited the people of Israel and that he had seen their affliction, they bowed their heads and worshiped. Lord has sent him. Aaron will serve as spokesperson for Moses.

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- 4:23: The Lord instructs Moses to return to Egypt and to perform miracles before Pharaoh and to speak on behalf of the Lord...
 - “and I say to you, ‘Let my son go that he may serve me.’ If you refuse to let him go, behold, I will kill your firstborn son.”

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- 4:31: Moses and Aaron gathered together the elders and Aaron shares what the Lord said to Moses and did the signs in front of the people.
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⁴ But the king of Egypt said to them, “Moses and Aaron, why do you take the people away from their work? Get back to your burdens.” ⁵ And Pharaoh said, “Behold, the people of the land are now many, and you make them rest from their burdens!” ⁶ The same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people and their foremen, ⁷ “You shall no longer give the people straw to make bricks, as in the past; let them go and gather straw for themselves. ⁸ But the number of bricks that they made in the past you shall impose on them, you shall by no means reduce it, for they are idle.

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Therefore they cry, 'Let us go and offer sacrifice to our God.' ⁹ Let heavier work be laid on the men that they may labor at it and pay no regard to lying words." ¹⁰ So the taskmasters and the foremen of the people went out and said to the people, "Thus says Pharaoh, 'I will not give you straw. ¹¹ Go and get your straw yourselves wherever you can find it, but your work will not be reduced in the least.' " ¹² So the people were scattered throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw. ¹³ The taskmasters were urgent, saying, "Complete your work, your daily task each day, as when there was straw."

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Exodus 1:8-11: Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses.

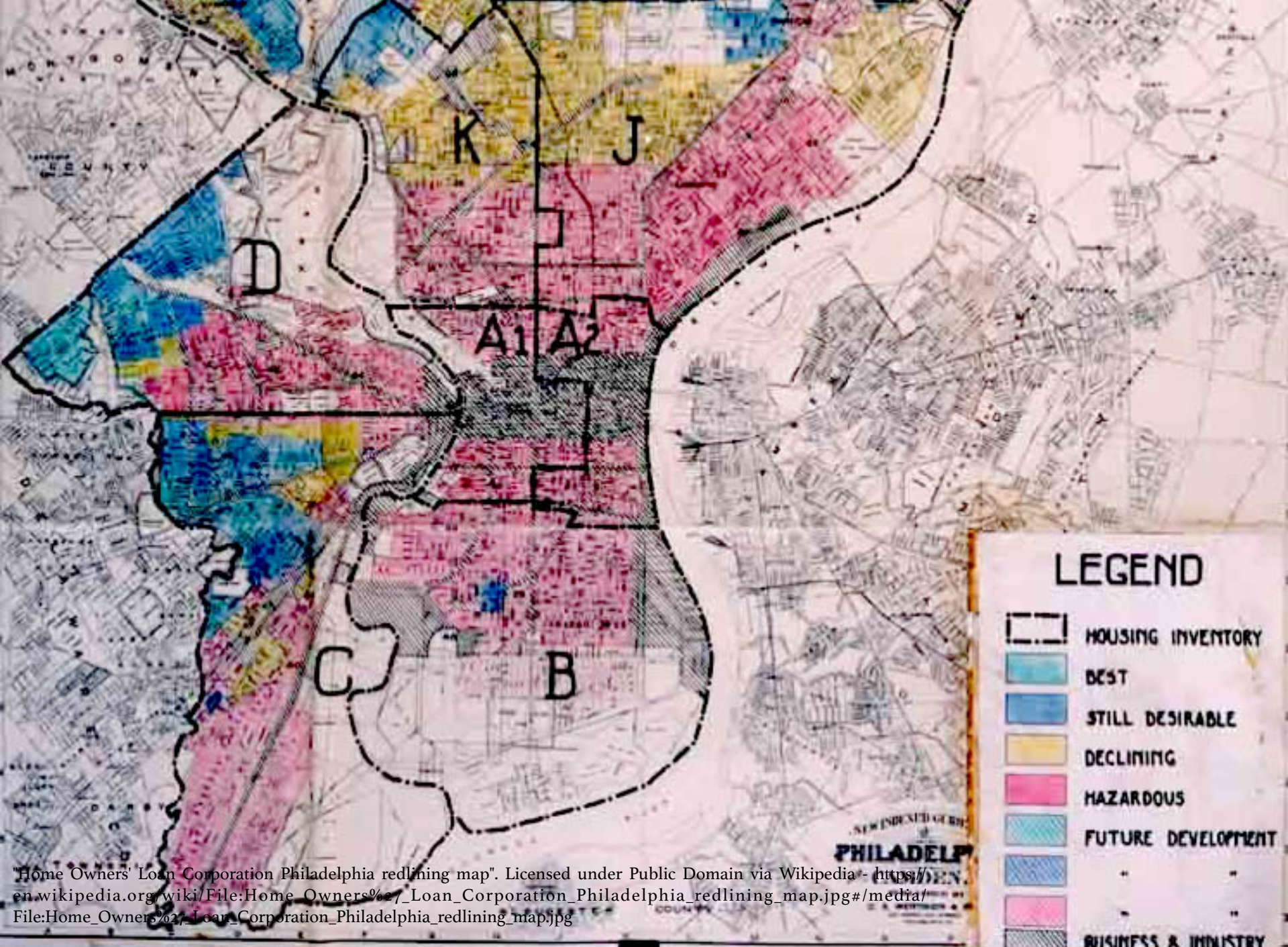
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REDLINING: In the United States, redlining is the practice of denying services, either directly or through selectively raising prices, to residents of certain areas based on the racial or ethnic makeups of those areas.

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- Bill Dedman received the Pulitzer Prize for Investigative Reporting for *The Color of Money, Home Mortgage Lending Practices Discriminate Against Blacks*, 1989.
- New Jersey's largest savings bank purposefully avoided lending to Black and Hispanic homebuyers
- Hudson City Savings Bank (HCBK) the largest savings bank in New Jersey with 135 branches, settled claims by paying 33 million because they “avoided areas with a heavy minority presence”.

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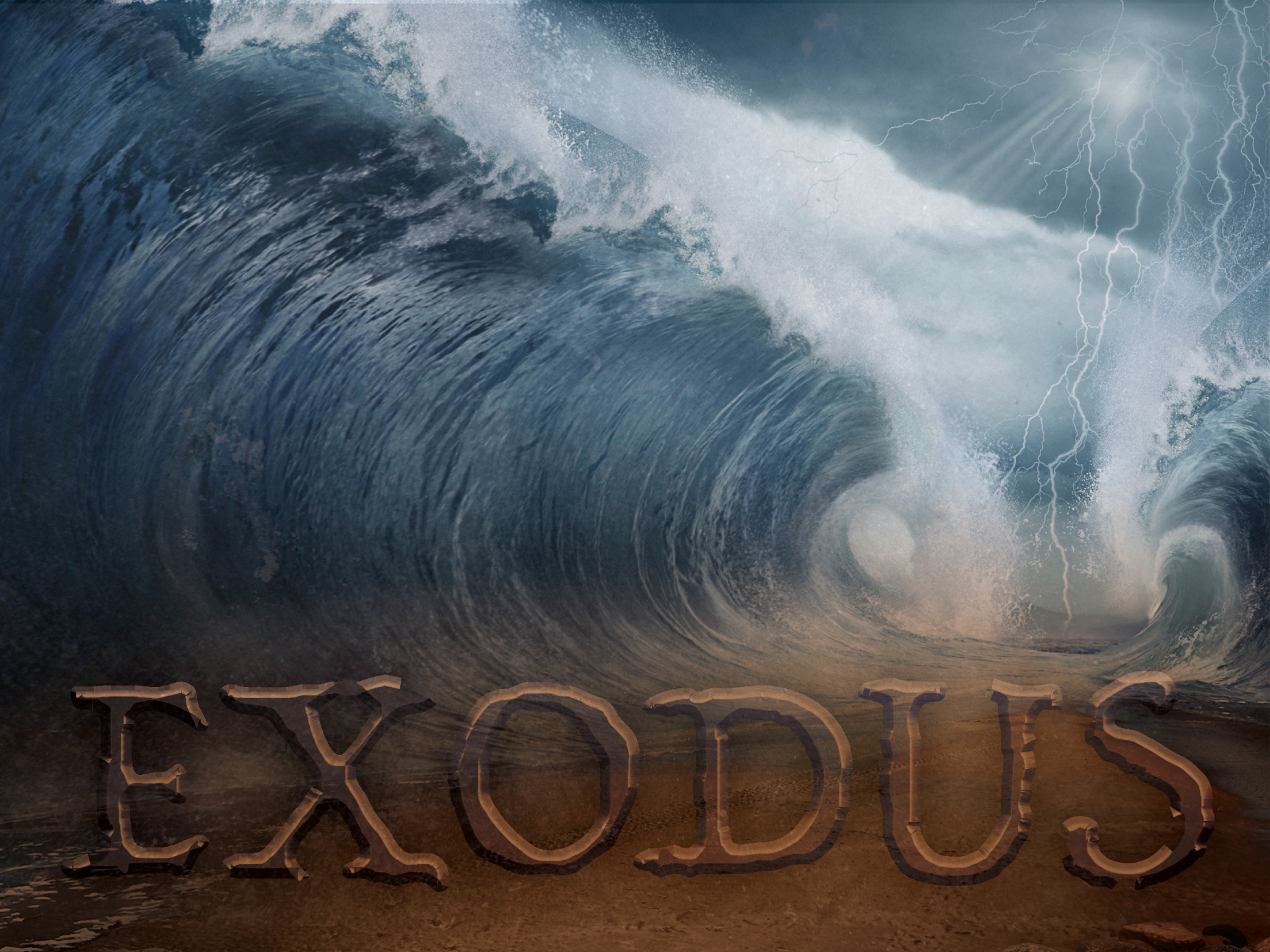
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- Evil exists today and don't assume because you love God that evil will not affect you or does not affect others.
- Doing God's will, obeying his commands, may lead to an increase in hardship and discomfort. Choose God and obey in spite of the pain.

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