

EXODUS 14; March 5; Pharaoh's Red Sea Campaign

ANALYSIS:

1. What two statements did Pharaoh speak before pursuing after the children of Israel? _____
2. With how many chariots, plus horsemen and army, did Pharaoh pursue after the children of Israel? _____
3. Before the LORD drowned the Egyptians, what pleasure did He have with their chariots? _____
4. What famous last words were heard among the Egyptians just before the water covered them? _____
5. Where and in what condition did Israel see the Egyptians who had pursued them through the sea? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

How did the LORD get honor upon Pharaoh, as He said He would (vs 17, 18)? The LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart so he immediately forgot the revealed miraculous power of the ten plagues which culminated in the death of his very own firstborn child. You ask, how could he forget and ignore the danger of fighting against the God of the children of Israel? Remember this is the man who arrogantly said, "Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go" (Ex 5:2). He never repented of this proud affront to His Creator. The LORD would blind his military mind and harden his heart one last time so that he would drive his chariot into the midst of the sea. He drowned as a fool who could not learn from God's step by step judgment. He did come to know the LORD as the God of vengeance (Rom 9:16; Ex 9:16). The Egyptians who didn't take part in the Red Sea Campaign, would be forced to tell their children of their king's sudden ignominious end. Give God the Glory! And we still give Him glory as we muse on His great and miraculous works!

Let no child of God think he or she can sin presumptuously and not be chastised by our God. Why would you ever consider sin and break God's known will? Remember Ps 32:1-5, read Heb 12:6-8 and pray Ps 19:13.

HELP:

1. "They are entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in" (v 3), "Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?" (v 5).
2. 600 chosen chariots (v 7).
3. Took off their chariot wheels (v 25).
4. "Let us flee from the face of Israel: for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians" (v 25).
5. Dead upon the sea shore (v 30).