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An Overview of Exodus 15

Israel crossing the Red Sea on dry ground
is one of the most spectacular
miracles in the Bible.



God destroying Pharoah and His army
to save His O.T. church is one of
God's favorite wonders.



Think of the Red Sea Event

Greatest Military on Earth
Unarmed Slaves with W&C
Backed Up Against Red Sea
All Israel Got Through Safely
Not a Single Egyptian Survived
Israel Only Walked & Watched
Cloud of Both Darkness & Light





And Moses said unto the people,
Fear ye not, stand still,
and see the salvation of the LORD,
which he will shew to you to day:
for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day,
ye shall see them again no more for ever.
The LORD shall fight for you,
And ye shall hold your peace.

Exodus 14:13-14

It was the final act of God's glorious victory
over the greatest king and ruler on
earth – Pharaoh of Egypt.

This glorious victory of our LORD Jehovah
is identified many times in the Bible,
maybe 25 times or more.

And in very deed
for this cause
have I raised thee up,
for to shew in thee my power;
and that my name may be declared
throughout all the earth.

Exodus 9:16

For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh,
Even for this same purpose
have I raised thee up,
that I might shew my power in thee,
and that my name might be declared
throughout all the earth.

Romans 9:17



It occurred in a very specific year
– prophesied to Abraham –
1533 B.C. or 2513 A.H.

This impressive intervention by God to save His church was often recalled for Israel's faith and hope.

He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up:
so he led them through the depths,
as through the wilderness....
And the waters covered their enemies:
there was not one of them left.
Then believed they his words;
they sang his praise.

Psalm 106:9-12

To him which divided the Red sea into parts:
for his mercy endureth for ever:
And made Israel to pass through the midst of it:
for his mercy endureth for ever:
But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea:
for his mercy endureth for ever.

Psalm 136:13-15

Art thou not it which hath dried the sea,
the waters of the great deep;
that hath made the depths of the sea a way
for the ransomed to pass over?

Isaiah 51:10

That led them by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm,
dividing the water before them,
to make himself an everlasting name?

That led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness,
that they should not stumble?

As a beast goeth down into the valley,
the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest:
so didst thou lead thy people,
to make thyself a glorious name.

Isaiah 63:12-14

And didst see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt,
and heardest their cry by the Red sea;
And shewedst signs and wonders upon Pharaoh....
So didst thou get thee a name, as it is this day.
And thou didst divide the sea before them,
so that they went through the midst
of the sea on the dry land;
and their persecutors thou threwest into the deeps,
as a stone into the mighty waters.

Nehemiah 9:9-11

He brought them out,
after that he had shewed wonders
and signs in the land of Egypt,
and in the Red sea,
and in the wilderness forty years.

Acts 7:36

By faith they passed through
the Red sea as by dry land:
which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.

Hebrews 11:29



The Red Sea Event Is Great Because:

Odds overwhelmingly impossible against Israel.

Pharoah and army was the greatest on earth.

Israel had no army ... but women / children.

Red Sea was wide and deep ... impossible.

God must find a new invention to save.

The result was perfect in all respects.

It was divinely chosen for Himself.

The Big Question?

Why would Pharoah, after ten horrible plagues in Egypt, drive his chariot into the Red Sea with water piled high on both sides?

And I, behold, I will harden
the hearts of the Egyptians,
and they shall follow them:
and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh,
and upon all his host, upon his chariots,
and upon his horsemen.

And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD,
when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh,
upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

Exodus 14:17-18

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(Avaris)

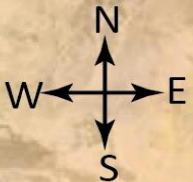
The Way of the Philistines

Succoth

**WILDERNESS
OF THE
RED SEA**

Etham

**WILDERNESS
OF SIN**



25 miles

Pi Hahiroth

• The Rock at Horeb

• Mt. Sinai

• Elim

MIDIAN

Gulf of Suez

Gulf of Aqaba

An aerial photograph of the Gulf of Aqaba region, showing the dark blue water of the gulf and the surrounding arid, brownish desert landscape. The text is overlaid on the image.

The True Crossing Point **The Exodus**

The Gulf Of Aqaba





Crossing Path
Chariot Wheels and bones



Column

**"Ridge of mountains ...
obstructed their flight"**

Josephus

Wadi Watir - "entangled"

Pi-Hahiroth

Nuweiba Beach



Migdol

Red Sea Crossing
Gulf of Aqaba
Facing South

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The Song of Moses

Exodus 15:1

Then sang Moses
and the children of Israel
this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying,

The Song of Moses ... Is a Song!

Jehovah created our ability to sing His praise.
Every high school and college has a fight song.
We gloriously sang *Christ Arose* two weeks ago.
Songs have metaphors to be beautiful and short.
Be careful not to over-interpret any single phrase.
The context is very clear ... waterlogged Egyptians.

A Quick Review of 21 Verses

It is only an overview, not a detailed study.
We will let the context of the event limit us.
We will not try to find or force distant lessons.

1 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

- It is not foolish or redundant to declare your intentions in a prayer or a song.
- God chose singing for one important way we can praise and glorify Him.
- Why did Moses and Israel want to sing? For God had “triumphed gloriously”!
- God (by a metaphor) threw the cavalry of Egypt into the Red Sea. Hallelujah!
- Never fear. Only believe. God can triumph gloriously over impossible odds.

2 The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.

- Moses and Israel knew they had no strength against Pharoah, so God saved.
- Moses chose to sing praise to God for His dramatic, powerful deliverance.
- Moses claimed mighty Jehovah as His God. Is the God we worship your God?
- The place of God's worship was important to Moses and it should be to us.
- Moses father Amram is in Hebrews 11. Does your family hold the same God?

3 The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name.

- The LORD Jehovah is not a man, but in a song He can be compared to a man.
- A man of war is a mighty soldier or warrior ... a title for David and Goliath!
- Isaiah also compared the LORD to a man of war, a mighty victor (Isaiah 42:13).
- Never be ashamed of our God. He is great in mighty power against enemies.
- Most Christians do not know this verse, so their God is weak in comparison.





*A wise man can always
be found alone,
A weak man can always
be found in a crowd.*



A knight in chainmail armor, looking down with a somber expression. He is holding a sword with a cross-shaped pommel. The armor is dark and appears to be covered in dirt or blood. The background is a hazy, overcast sky.

A KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR

**IS A MAN WHO HAS TRULY
NEVER HAD HIS METAL TESTED**

4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

- Pharaoh had the most intimidating, mechanized, mobile army of that era.
- Pharaoh brought 600 chosen chariots ... + ... all the chariots of Egypt (Ex 14:7).
- Pharaoh had many chosen captains ... over every one of his chariots (Ex 14:7).
- Drowning is not as easy as an arrow through heart or head. It is terrifying!
- It was a perfectly thorough victory ... no POW camps, DMZ, treaties, etc.







And he made ready his chariot,
and took his people with him:
And he took six hundred chosen chariots,
and all the chariots of Egypt,
and captains over every one of them.

Exodus 14:6-7

God Played with Pharoah!

Before letting Pharoah drown and end all the pain in his heart and mind, God took the wheels off his chariot to let him think fearfully about drowning first.



And it came to pass,
that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the
host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud,
and troubled the host of the Egyptians,
And took off their chariot wheels,
that they drave them heavily:
so that the Egyptians said,
Let us flee from the face of Israel;
for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

Exodus 14:6-7

5 The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone.

- This was not some shallow crossing in a few feet of water. Give God all glory!
- A stone goes very fast to the bottom of water ... like soldiers in their armor!
- A large army never disappeared like this before ... just a few token bodies.
- All the enemies of God shall soon be cast in the lake of fire by Jesus Christ.
- Like Israel safe on the other side ... we will be safe on the other side in glory.



And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea,
and the sea returned to his strength
when the morning appeared;
and the Egyptians fled against it;
and the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.
And the waters returned,
and covered the chariots, and the horsemen,
and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them;
there remained not so much as one of them.

Exodus 14:27-28



Token Bodies to See?

The Bible clearly says in several places not a single Egyptian survived this judgment of God, but some got enough armor off to float up for Israel to see.

Thus the LORD saved Israel
that day out of the hand of the Egyptians;
and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

And Israel saw that great work
which the LORD did upon the Egyptians:
and the people feared the LORD,
and believed the LORD, and his servant Moses.

Exodus 14:30-31

6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

- No offence to lefties, but the right arm or hand for most is the one of power.
- This is figure of speech of *synecdoche* – a part used to represent the whole.
- Jehovah's right hand was powerful from eternity ... but it was displayed here.
- When we totally destroy something – we break it in pieces – like God here.
- Nothing is too hard for your God, and you should love, praise, and obey Him.



7 And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble.

- No one can fight against our God ... He totally destroyed Pharoah and army.
- A king against whom there is no rising up is beautiful ... but Jehovah more!
- Songs embellish events described – enjoy it – “greatness of thine excellency.”
- Our God gets angry! Very angry! ... against enemies of His church ... Amen!
- Stubble. *The straw of grain-stalks, etc. gathered after the crop is harvested.*



8 And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together, the floods stood upright as an heap, and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

- Though God is a Spirit without nostrils ... it was if He had glorious nostrils.
- The waters of the Red Sea moved out of the way of the children of Israel.
- The water piled up on both sides ... forget the rule: *water finds its own level*.
- God made the Red Sea almost like jello ... it thickened to stand up in piles.
- The deep water of the sea moved out of the way and stayed out of the way.

9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.

- Six foolish promises of what Egypt would do ... *will, will, will, shall, will, shall.*
- Yea, yea, yea, yea. Their empty threats are hilarious ... *Famous Last Words?*
- Our God always wins – it does not matter at all how many and how strong.
- What happened to the enemies of David? What of Jews that killed Jesus?
- You will never hear words that matter in the news ... only from the Bible.



10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

- No nostrils used here ... but God blew with His wind for the water to return.
- Think about fishing ... *what are sinkers made of? ... why? ... they sink fast!*
- The soldiers would have had armor on ... metal or various kinds ... they sank.
- God allowed a few to rip their armor off ... drown anyway ... for Israel to see.
- Now just water ... no visible evidence they existed ... Israel had their riches.





No Victory More Thorough

The entire Egyptian army buried but for token bodies ... all of Israel perfectly safe without a loss ... no effort expended ... wealth of Egypt handed to them on their way out of town.

11 Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?

- There is no God like Jehovah ... *say it again* ... There is no God like Jehovah.
- All the gods and idols of Egypt could do nothing to protect their worshippers.
- Pharoah and Egypt wasted their lives worshipping false gods without power.
- God is glorious in holiness or has holy glory by perfect punishment of Egypt.
- God is to be praised for His fearful wonders done against all His enemies.

*Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee,
glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?*

Exodus 15:11

Top Text ... is very great praise of GOD Jehovah. It is in Moses' song after God drowned Pharaoh in the Red Sea (BV). Shout the words! After this song, Miriam led Israel's women to dance in agreement (BV). This song includes: *The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name* (BV). Amen! The song's purpose is to celebrate God for saving Israel out of Egypt and destroying Pharaoh and his army. What a glorious song! What an occasion to dance! This song is sung in heaven (BV). *But what about the phrase, glorious in holiness? What does it mean? How does it apply? God's holiness demanded severe punishment of Egypt for wicked treatment of Israel (BV) and for Pharaoh's blasphemy against God when Moses first visited him (BV); His holiness also demanded He perfectly fulfill His promises about bringing Israel out with a mighty hand (BV,BV,BV); and His holiness guided and limited His judgment on Pharaoh and Egypt to be no more than perfectly appropriate in His sight (BV,BV,BV). He was gloriously holy in every way. Hallelujah!*

12 Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

- Remember again the usual symbolism of a right hand – the arm of strength.
- Do you remember from Isaiah? ... *But his hand is stretched out still* (5 times)?
- It was as if the earth swallowed them, for they were gone totally out of sight.
- The earth, when including surface water, did swallow them. Let God be True.
- You can trust at all times and through any event in the right hand of Jehovah.



13 Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.

- Thus far we had GOD Jehovah's wrath using His strength to destroy Pharoah.
- Now GOD Jehovah's mercy used His strength to save and guide His church.
- We recently had a study about redeem – to buy out of trouble like a ransom.
- The Jews were fully saved from Egypt and moving toward promised Canaan.
- God chose of all places earthly Jerusalem ... now the heavenly including us.

How Did God Redeem Israel?

He bought or purchased or ransomed them out of Egypt by sacrificing the lives and wealth of Egyptians for them, for He loved Israel and not Egypt.

For I am the LORD thy God,
the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour:
I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.
Since thou wast precious in my sight,
thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee:
therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.

Isaiah 43:3-4

14 The people shall hear, and be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

- His wonder at the Red Sea was in the news and terrified all the Canaanites.
- Rahab told the two spies that all the inhabitants of Palestine were terrified.
- Our God is infinitely wise, and He used this event many ways, including fear.
- Hundreds of years later, the Philistines remembered it when the ark arrived.
- A day is coming in which the Blessed and Only Potentate will terrify all men.

And she said unto the men,
I know that the LORD hath given you the land,
and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that
all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.
For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water
of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt....

And as soon as we had heard these things,
our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any
more courage in any man, because of you:
for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above,
and in earth beneath.

Joshua 2:9-11



15 Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

- Edom was one of Israel's fiercest enemies – the descendants of Esau.
- The Moabites were another of Israel's enemies – the descendants of Lot.
- Amazed = consternation in this context = trembling = hearts melting.
- Rahab used this very word melt with the two spies about Canaan's heart.
- Destroying your enemies' confidence is useful – God did it for His church.

God Used PsyOps on Canaan!

He removed the usual confidence and valor of the inhabitants and armies of Canaan. He began manipulating them forty years before conquest ... at the Red Sea!

16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of thine arm they shall be as still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O LORD, till the people pass over, which thou hast purchased.

- These verses are in the future tense for the sure results of news spreading.
- When God does something to get Himself a name or honor ... it will be big.
- A stone does not move or speak ... it cannot move ... like Nabal years later.
- Jehovah had all details working together for Israel. Purchased = redeemed.
- He later hardened them differently to fight so He could destroy them all.

God Used PsyOps Again!

He hardened their hearts to fight Israel in the open for total defeat, to avoid killing men in bed, and to save the infrastructure, walls, houses, furniture, vineyards, and wells for Israel to possess, which they did!

For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts,
that they should come against Israel in battle,
that he might destroy them utterly,
and that they might have no favour,
but that he might destroy them,
as the LORD commanded Moses.

Joshua 11:20

But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him:
for the LORD thy God hardened his spirit,
and made his heart obstinate,
that he might deliver him into thy hand,
as appeareth this day.

Deuteronomy 2:30

17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place, O LORD, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have established.

- The goal had been from Abraham to get them back to inherit all of Canaan.
- What is the mountain of God's inheritance ... Mt. Zion of Canaan's Jerusalem.
- God planned His tabernacle and then temple to be in the city of Jerusalem.
- A sanctuary is a holy place ... both tabernacle and temple had holiest of all.
- There in the innermost compartment was where God dwelled symbolically.

18 The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.

- Who is the LORD? ... our God Jehovah ... I AM THAT I AM ... *Hallelujah!*
- What does it mean to reign? ... to have total and final rule over all enemies.
- How long is for ever and ever? ... longer than anything else ... even eternity.
- Is He still reigning? ... Yes, indeed! ... Where? ... Mt. Zion in Jerusalem above!
- Our glorious God rules forever ... those loving Him will rule with Him forever.

19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea.

- This verse summarizes and wraps up the Song of Moses for this great event.
- God covered Pharaoh and his army with water and drowned all of them.
- God safely led His church through the Sea on dry ground without losing one.
- God destroyed this great enemy, so no enemy can stand. He reigns forever.
- We should not forget Bible stories – they mold our faith, character, conduct.





20 And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

- Miriam was also the sister of Moses, and she led the women in great praise.
- This is Old Testament worship, so they had musical instruments and dancing.
- Godly women taught by the Bible also love great victories over enemies.
- You know of Hannah's prayer (I Sam 2:1-10), which was similar to Moses' song.
- Bible women loved Jehovah and His terrible acts, unlike most women today.

21 And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

- Moses and the men sang through the song as we have just reviewed it here.
- Miriam then led the women to repeat it (“answered”) by identical words.
- God chose congregational worship ... men, women, and children participate.
- Singing is not done by a praise band – we are together God’s praise band.
- Every girl that loves the God of the Bible and these events will sing loudly.

A Deliverance Much Greater and Far More Valuable for Us!

War at Calvary defeated Satan
God raised Jesus from the dead
He saved us from the lake of fire
He raised us from spiritual death
We are going to a far better land
We shall reign forever with Him