

What Is Your Standing with God Today? Exodus 14:19-31

The Israelites just witnessed the devastation of an enemy under whom they'd chafed for centuries. The Egyptians had forced them to make increasing quotas of bricks and had murdered their newborn sons. Israelite appeals for mercy resulted in crueler treatment.

The Lord rescued Israel in a stunning way. God proved every Egyptian god useless, impotent, indeed, non-existent. All Egyptian families lost their firstborn sons. Then Pharaoh's army, the mightiest on earth, found itself submerged like ants caught in a sudden flood. Seeing all of this, the people of Israel "feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses."

Israel strongly believed that day. They happily sang and danced. Yet their trust didn't last. Soon they complained like bored kids on an August afternoon.

Have you turned from great belief to huge doubt within hours? You're not the first who has. Your distrust probably didn't please God any more than Israel's sudden and severe doubt. Recount and review what God has done for you. Praise him for his mercy and kindness. "The righteous shall live by faith" in God.

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