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The Exodus!

Lesson Text: Exodus 4-15

Focus Verses: Exodus 6:6-8 -⁶Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments: ⁷And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for a heritage: I am the Lord.

Truth About Covenant: God delivered His covenant people.

Covenant Context: When Israel cried out to God, He delivered His covenant people after a series of ten devastating plagues on Egypt. God brought them to the Red Sea where He set them free and drowned their enemies on their way to the Promised Land.

The hardest part of deliverance is waiting for God's timing and plan to be perfectly executed. The Israelites never expected their deliverance to come through a polished prince of Egypt. However, they had to trust that God was working out His plan for their freedom. The Israelites did not have the power to save themselves.

Pharaoh's response pitted him against God, not just against Moses. *"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"* (Exodus 5:2). Not only did Pharaoh dismiss God, but Pharaoh deprived God of His due worship. Pharaoh was waging a war against Almighty God, a war he could not win. God was willing to forgive the Egyptians if they would have repented because God's judgment is to bring us to repentance so He can forgive us.

God sent ten plagues (water into blood, frogs, lice, flies, pestilence (death of livestock), boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and death of all firstborns) upon the Egyptians. The last plague was the most severe: the death of all firstborn sons and firstborn male animals. This plague was universal. Israel was not exempt from it, but God provided a way of deliverance for them. The head of each household was to slay a lamb and smear its blood on the doorpost of their homes as a sign they were obedient to these terms of the covenant. When the LORD came through Egypt that night, He would pass over and spare the firstborn males.

Not long after Israel left Egypt, they ran into their first obstacle. Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, God divided the sea into walls of water, and Israel walked across the dry bed of the Red Sea. Once Israel was safe on the other side, Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord sent the water walls crashing down and drowned the Egyptians.

Are you facing a situation only God can deliver you from? Trust in God. This will be a difficult test of your patience, but God knows how to make a way of escape for His people. Instead of focusing on your circumstances, focus on developing your trust. Trust knows God is able, no matter what your situation looks like.

God only needed the Israelites to obey His instructions. He knew every obstruction standing in the way of their deliverance. He knew the hardness and resistance of Pharaoh's heart. God saw the Red Sea before them before they ever got there and the Egyptian army closing in behind them before they ever got there and the Egyptian army closing in behind them before the Egyptian army ever got there. None of those obstacles concerned Him. He only needed the Israelites to place their trust in Him and keep following the cloud by day and the fire by night. Only God knew what was waiting for them on the other side—complete deliverance, safety, and a full covenant relationship with Him.

We often tell God all about the obstacles rather than trusting Him to deliver us. However, our trust is all God needs. Rather than focusing on all the difficulties before you, choose to trust God today. Take a moment and tell God out loud how much you trust Him. You may need to change the way you pray. Open your Bible and declare God's Word over your life. Rehearse His promises. Incorporate them into your daily conversations. There is power when you faithfully and consistently declare God's covenant over yourself. Rather than reminding God of the obstacles He already knows are there, begin to declare like Moses, **"I will stand still and see the salvation of God."** Stand firm and say, **"I trust YOU to deliver me."**