

Moses: from the Sea to the Song to Sinai

Scripture Text: Exodus 15-19

Israel is now free from their 430 years of Egyptian bondage

The events of Ch. 15 are only natural!

Throughout this study we are introduced to character traits of the Israelite Nation that carry on throughout the Bible

Good advice may come from unusual sources

1. The Song – Exodus 15

1 – Moses and Israel sing praises to God!

2 – strength and salvation

4-12 – retelling of the Red Sea incident

11 – there is none like God!

18 – He shall reign for ever

20-22 – Miriam's song

23-27 – waters at Marah – teaches them trust

2. The Food – Exodus 16

1 – 1 month out of Egypt

2-3 – complaining; they wished to be in Egypt

4 – God provides food

5 – specific instruction

8 – quail at evening; manna [what?] at morning

16 – everyone gather; omer = ~3.6 liters

24 – food stored for Sabbath did not rot

3. The Water – Exodus 17

3 – murmuring again – no water to drink!

6 – smite the rock at Meribah before Horeb

9 – 1st mention of Joshua; fight Amalek

11 – hands up = Israel wins; down = loses

12 – Aaron & Hur held his arms up

13 – Joshua leads the battle

14-16 – write and remember these events

4. The Advice – Exodus 18

1 – Jethro – Moses' father-in-law; non-Heb.

8-9 – he rejoiced for all God had done!

11 – he now knows who is the true God!

13 – Moses as a judge amongst the people

14-23 – Jethro: you need help!

24 – listens to his advice

26 – Moses can now focus on leading people

5. The Mountain – Exodus 19

1 – 2 months out of Egypt

3-6 – God's people to be different

9 – people need to believe in God

10-15 – sanctify the people for 2 days

16 – 3rd day: God manifests Himself on Mtn.

21 [13] – cannot come near or touch = death

24 – Moses [& Aaron] go up to the Mtn.

Lessons Learned

1. We should praise God when He brings deliverance
2. God truly does provide for our needs
3. Obedience to God results in receiving what He has promised
4. We are not in this alone – we have faithful brothers and sisters to help (Gal. 6:1-2, 10)
5. Must be sanctified to approach God