

# EXODUS

REDEEMED FROM BONDAGE IN EGYPT AND BROUGHT INTO A COVENANT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

*Message #22, Exodus 15:1-21*

## A Victory Song Celebrating the Sea Crossing





# A Victory Song

- Focuses on a central hero figure (*Yahweh*)
- Describes a perilous journey (*from Egypt to Canaan*)
- Describes the survival of a critical contest (*the Sea Crossing*)
- Exalts the central hero's personal qualities (*Who is like Yahweh?*)



# A Victory Song About Yahweh's Acts

- Yahweh cast Pharaoh's chariots and his army into the sea (v4)
- Yahweh by His power shatters the enemy (v6)
- Yahweh by His wrath consumed the Egyptians (v7)
- Yahweh by His covenant love led the people He redeemed (v13-17)



# Yahweh Destroys Egypt's idolatry

- Crossing the Sea of Reeds was only the prerogative of Pharaoh in the afterlife BUT Israel crossed it by God's power (v19)
- Pharaoh claimed to be lord of the winds BUT the east wind (the breath of God's nostrils) opened up pathways in the sea (v8)
- In the afterlife Pharaoh was to travel to Re's holy dwelling BUT it is Yahweh's people that travel to His Holy Habitation (v13)



# Yahweh by His Power Shatters the Enemy

- Egypt given the name of Rahab known in ancient myth as the sea serpent that rebelled against creation (Isa. 51:9-10)
- Egypt is symbolic of the world system opposed to Christ (Heb. 11:26)
- Yahweh demonstrates His authority over the forces of rebellion
- God's people sing of the authority of God over the universe (Rev. 11:15-19; 12:10-11)



# Yahweh's Covenant Love

- Yahweh by His <u>covenant love</u> led the people He redeemed (v13)
- Yahweh is my father's God (v2)
- Moses took the bones of Joseph with him (13:19)
- Yahweh's covenant love connects the past with the present (cf. Josh. 24:6-7, 14-15)



# A Victory Song About Yahweh

- Yahweh is Highly Exalted (v1)
- Yahweh is my Strength (v2)
- Yahweh is my Song (v2)
- Yahweh is my God, my father's God (v2)
- Yahweh is a Man of War (v3)
- Yahweh is Majestic in Holiness (v11)
- Yahweh is Awesome in Praises (v11)
- Yahweh is a Wonder Worker (v11)

# Yahweh is a Man of War



Yahweh saves by His covenant love (v4-13)



Yahweh guides by His strength (v13b)



Yahweh reigns forever (v18)

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# Yahweh is Incomparable

- No human idea can represent Him (Deu. 4:15-16)
- Jesus Christ has fully made Yahweh known (1John 5:20)
- Spirit, Unity, Trinity, Self-existent, Eternal, Infinite, Immutable, Omnipotent, Omnipresent, Omniscient, Majestic, Personality, Faithful, Good, Gracious, Holy, Just, Love, Merciful, Righteous,, Sovereign, Truth



# Yahweh is my Song

- A recurring theme (Psa. 118:14; Isa. 12:2)
- God has put a new song of praise in our hearts (Psa. 40:1-3)
- The exodus was the birth of a theocratic nation. We can sing of our spiritual birth (cf. 2Cor. 5:17)
- The exodus was a release from bondage and oppression. We can sing of our release from the authority of darkness (cf. Col. 1:13)