

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



Sunday Morning, February 5, 2025 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

Message Title: Led by God

Message Text: Exodus 13:16-22

Introduction:

One of the most beloved passages of Scripture reminds that our God leads his people beside still waters. God is always leading His people. Jesus said, “My

sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:” (John 10:27)

Oftentimes we struggle to rest in and respond to the leading of God in our lives.

In order to help us all follow the lead of our God more consistently, let's consider the account of God's leading the children of Israel out of Egypt.

1. God Leads with _____

(16)

Exodus 13:16 And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes: for by strength of hand the Lord brought us forth out of Egypt.

3X — “...the strength of hand the LORD brought us out...”

NOTE — The plagues were a dramatic, divine demonstration of the LORD's strength and power over the most powerful king and nation in the world.

THE 10 PLAGUES

THE NILE WAS TURNED TO BLOOD

Exodus 7:14-25

FROGS

Exodus 8:1-15

LICE

Exodus 8:16 -18

FLIES

Exodus 8:20-32

LIVESTOCK DIE

Exodus 9:1-7

BOILS ON THE BODY

Exodus 9:8-12

HAIL AND FIRE

Exodus 9:13-15

LOCUSTS

Exodus 10:1-20

DARKNESS

Exodus 10:21-29

DEATH OF THE FIRST BORN

Exodus 11:1-12:36



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Psalm 136:10–12 To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: For his mercy endureth for ever: 11 And brought out Israel from among them: For his mercy endureth for ever: 12 With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Colossians 1:13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

2. God Leads with _____ (17-18)

Exodus 13:17–18 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt: 18 But God led the people about, through the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

GOD LED THEM NOT — _____ Way (_____ miles)

BUT GOD LED THE PEOPLE ABOUT — _____ Way (_____ miles)

DEFINITION—HARNESSED: *lined for war; ordered or lined up in military formation, possibly by groups of fifty.*

Psalm 103:13 Like as a father pitieth his children, So the Lord pitieth them that fear him.

1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

QUOTE: Their faith was to be exercised and strengthened, and from the commencement of their travels we observe the same careful proportion of burdens and trials to their character and state. —JFB

3. God Leads with _____ (19-22)

Exodus 13:19–22 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you. 20 And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness. 21 And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night: 22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.

THE LORD WENT BEFORE (20-21)

PILLAR OF CLOUD — to _____ the way

PILLAR OF FIRE — to _____ the way

HE TOOK NOT AWAY THE PILLAR (22)

Psalm 27:11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, And lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

Conclusion

Exodus 14:11–12 And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt? 12 Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

Psalm 25:5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: For thou art the God of my salvation; On thee do I wait all the day.



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