

## Family Worship Guide Week 16

### Exodus 11-15, Psalm 13

#### Day One: Exodus 11:1-10

- ❖ Don't you imagine Moses was ready for all of this to end? People he loved (both Israelites and Egyptians) were suffering greatly. God loved Pharaoh and all these Egyptians. It is amazing the Israelites will be given silver and gold by their oppressors but as Matthew Henry says, 'How great do they become for whom God thus fights!' Moses anger as he left Pharaoh was understandable. Even when being told his own child - and thousands of others - would die, he still would not let the people go.
- ❖ **Bottom Line:** No one can stand in the way of God's plan.
- ❖ **Questions:** Do you think any Egyptians became believers in God after seeing His power? Do you see a similarity in Pharaoh's unbelief and hard heart and people today who refuse to believe the Gospel?

#### Day Two: Exodus 12:21-32

- ❖ The Passover is established here and is a picture of Christ. His blood covers and saves us. Just as the Israelites were protected from this final, devastating plague by the blood of sacrificed lambs, we are saved by Jesus sacrifice if we accept Him. This ordinance that began here is the one most mentioned in the New Testament. While this was a night of salvation for the Israelites, it was an unthinkable night of terror and heartbreak for the Egyptians. Pharaoh finally lets God's people go but what a price!
- ❖ **Bottom Line:** An ungodly leader is a danger to all.
- ❖ **Questions:** What did the people do before they obeyed Moses and Aaron's instructions to prepare for Passover? Verse 30 indicates Pharaoh was asleep until people started dying. Why do you think he called Moses during the night instead of waiting until morning?

#### Day Three: Exodus 13:14-22

- ❖ The Israelites are already being taught the importance of remembering Passover and how God brought His people out of bondage in Egypt. Never forget! When they left Egypt, God did not send them the short, easy route. He did constantly lead them, though by pillars of fire and cloud. I find it touching that Moses, a great, humble leader carried the bones of Joseph, also a man with those same Godly qualities.
- ❖ **Bottom Line:** Never forget God's faithfulness, never doubt He will lead you daily.
- ❖ **Questions:** Do your children know why you 'do what you do' in matters of faith? Why do you think God often takes us down the long, difficult road instead of the easy one?

#### Day Four: Exodus 14:10-28; 15:1

- ❖ Even the best special effects Hollywood has could not come close to this scene! The Red Sea parted becoming two huge walls on either side of thousands upon thousands of Israelites. They pass through on completely dry land. No mud. Completely dry. When over six thousand chariots try to pursue them, the sea

follows the orders of it's Creator and goes back into place. Pharaoh will once again see that arrogance and not believing in God bring dire consequences. No survivors.

- ❖ Chapter 15 is a praise and worship service for God once again delivering His people!
- ❖ **Bottom Line:** Only God.
- ❖ **Questions:** Do you think Moses was panicked along with the people before God gave him instructions to stretch his hand out over the sea? After living through the plagues do you think the soldiers believed they would be victorious?

## Day Five: Psalm 13

- ❖ Even kings have bad days, doubts and sorrows - as seen in King David's words. Even the man after God's own heart struggled to remember who he was in the Lord. But remember God's love for him brings joy and praise to his heart.
- ❖ **Bottom Line:** Rejoice. Rejoice in God's salvation.
- ❖ **Questions:** Do you ever feel like God has turned His face from you? What do you do? Pray together thanking God that His love never fails and for salvation.

## Pray

- ❖ Pray for our church as we search for a new music minister. Pray that God would lead us to the right man. Pray for the church as we seek to grow spiritually over this next year, and as we seek to reach the lost world. Finally, pray for our brothers and sisters across the state who have been devastated by the tornados.

## Memorize

**Psalm 13:5 "But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.**